



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPC No. 1580 of 2025

JINDAL POWER LIMITED **versus** STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

Order Sheet

25/03/2025	Mr. Kishore Bhaduri, Sr. Advocate along with Ms. Katyayani Vishnupriya, Mr. Manish Kharbanda, Mr. Gurpreet Singh Bagga, Mr. Shivansh Agrawal & Mr. Vivek Siddharth Ojha, counsels for the petitioner. Mr. R.K. Gupta, Addl. A.G. for the State. Heard on I.A. No. 01/2025, which is an application seeking interim stay of the impugned memo dated 27.02.2025 and 18.03.2025 issued by the respondent No. 2 to the petitioner No. 1 under Section 21 (5) of the Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that

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impugned letters dated 27.02.202 and 18.03.2025 have been issued by respondent No. 2 without jurisdiction which is not in accordance with law. There are documents which goes to show that the petitioner's company is not excavating coal outside the common area which they have been granted. He further submits that there are documents which goes to show that there are order passed by Officers who have passed certain orders in favour of the petitioner. However, these memo have been passed in an very illegal and arbitrary manner. The principles of natural justice have also not been followed as such the impugned memo dated 27.02.2025 and 18.03.2025 issued by the respondent No. 2 are liable to be quashed.

On the other hand, learned counsel for the State submits that he will file appropriate reply in this petition.

Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, considering the nature of dispute and further considering the impugned letters dated 27.02.2025 and 18.03.2025, the effect and operation of impugned

letters dated 27.02.2025 and 18.03.2025 are hereby stayed subject to the petitioner's company depositing the amount of cost to the tune of Rs. 3,62,07,270/- as imposed by respondent No. 2 within a period of 3 days and, in turn, the concerned respondent authorities are directed to operationalized the Mineral Online portal for the petitioner's company which has been suspended by respondent No. 2. The respondent No. 2 is further directed do the needful immediately after receiving the said amount.

List this case in the last week of June, 2025.

C.C. today.

Sd/-

(Amitendra Kishore Prasad)
Judge

Raghu Jat