



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPC No. 1659 of 2026

LAGAN PRASAD GUPTA *versus* STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

Order Sheet

10.04.2026	Mr. Akash Mishra, Advocate for the petitioner. Mr. Anadi Sharma, Panel Lawyer for the State/respondents. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present petition is directed against the inaction of the respondent authorities in disbursing the compensation amount, despite the same having been duly awarded. It is contended that the petitioner was the owner of land bearing Khasra No. 903/2, admeasuring 0.631 hectare, situated at Village Duldula, Tehsil Kunkuri, District Jashpur, which was acquired in the year 2003 for construction of a Police Station. An amount of Rs.1,31,05,926/- was awarded as compensation in favour of the petitioner; however, the same has



not been paid till date. It is further submitted that the petitioner had earlier approached this Court in Writ Petition (C) No. 780 of 2020, wherein directions were issued to the respondents to consider and decide the petitioner's representation. In compliance thereof, respondent No. 7 intimated respondent No. 3 that the compensation amount had been deposited in the P.D. account and requested for its disbursement to the petitioner, along with a copy of the challan. Despite this, and even after submission of a fresh representation dated 13.03.2026, the respondent authorities have failed to take any steps for release of the compensation amount, thereby compelling the petitioner to approach this Court again.

Looking to the nature of the dispute, it is apparent that the land of the petitioner was taken for construction of a Police Chowki at Duldula. It is submitted that although compensation to the tune of Rs. 1,31,05,926/- was assessed and deposited in the account of the concerned Collector by the Police Department through the Superintendent of Police, neither were proper land acquisition proceedings initiated nor was the petitioner paid the compensation. The land was taken as far back as in the year 2001, construction of the Police Chowki was completed in 2014, and the same is presently functioning on the land of the petitioner.



Considering the aforesaid aspects of the matter, particularly the fact that the petitioner's land appears to have been utilized for a public purpose without completion of due acquisition proceedings and without disbursement of the assessed compensation, this Court deems it appropriate to call for a comprehensive response from the authorities concerned, particularly from the Sub Divisional Officer (Revenue)-cum-Land Acquisition Officer, Kunkuri, District Jashpur.

Accordingly, the Sub Divisional Officer (Revenue)-cum-Land Acquisition Officer, Kunkuri, District Jashpur is directed to file his personal affidavit supported by all relevant records as well as explaining the reasons for non-initiation/completion of acquisition proceedings and the delay in payment of compensation to the petitioner latest by 13.04.2026.

List this case on 13.04.2026 for further consideration.

Sd/-
(Amitendra Kishore Prasad)
Judge