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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPC No. 2657 of 2020

**1 - Mukesh Kumar Sahu (Died) Throug Lrs As Per Honble Court Order
Dated 13-08-2025**

**1.1 - 1(A) Rukhmani Sahu Wife Of Mukesh Kumar Sahu Aged About 55
Years Resident Of Village Kudumkela Gharghoda District- Raigarh
(C.G.)**

**1.2 - 1 (B) Yuvraj Vedprakash Sahu Son Of Mukesh Kumar Sahu Aged
About 35 Years Resident Of Village Kudumkela Gharghoda District-
Raigarh (C.G.)**

**1.3 - 1 (C) Jasketan Sahu Son Of Mukesh Kumar Sahu Aged About 30
Years Resident Of Village Kudumkela Gharghoda District- Raigarh
(C.G.)**

**2 - Budheshwar Sahu S/o Late, Shri Santosh Sahu Aged About 54
Years R/o Village Kudumkela, Gharghoda, District Raigarh,
Chhattisgarh, District : Raigarh, Chhattisgarh**

**3 - Nirmal Kumar Sahu S/o Late, Shri Santosh Sahu Aged About 52
Years R/o Village Kudumkela, Gharghoda, District Raigarh,
Chhattisgarh, District : Raigarh, Chhattisgarh**

4 - Bipin Bihari Sahu(Dead) Through Legal Heir

4.1 - A. Ram Kumar Sahu S/o Late Shri Bipin Bihari Sahu Aged About 45 Years R/o Village Kudumkela, Gharghoda, District Raigarh, Chhattisgarh, District : Raigarh, Chhattisgarh

4.6 - B. Rishikesh Sahu S/o Late Shri Bipin Bihari Sahu Aged About 34 Years R/o Village Kudumkela, Gharghoda, District Raigarh, Chhattisgarh, District : Raigarh, Chhattisgarh

4.7 - Sanju Kumar Sahu S/o Late Shri Bipin Bihari Sahu Aged About 30 Years R/o Village Kudumkela, Gharghoda, District Raigarh, Chhattisgarh, District : Raigarh, Chhattisgarh

... Petitioner(s)

versus

1 - South Eastern Coal Fields Limited Through Its Chairman-Cum Managing Director (Cmd) Jampali Opencast Project, Raigarh Area, Village- Kudumkela Gharghoda, Kosamghat, District Raigarh, Chhattisgarh, District : Raigarh, Chhattisgarh

2- Collector/ District Magistrate, Raigarh, District Raigarh C.G.

3- Sub-Divisional Officer (Revenue), Gharghoda, District Raigarh (C.G.)

... Respondent

(Cause-title taken from the Case Information System)

For Petitioners :- Mr. Anuroop Panda, Advocate

For Respondent :- Mr. Sudhir Kumar Bajpai, Advocate

For State :- Mr. Ashutosh Shukla, P.L.

SB-Hon'ble Shri Justice Amitendra Kishore Prasad

Order on Board

19.03.2026

1. The Present Petition is not against any particular order but against the inaction of the Respondent authority, by which Respondents authorities are not considering the case of the petitioners for payment of difference amount arising out of wrong valuation of Petitioner's land during land acquisition.
2. The petitioners have filed this Writ Petition seeking following reliefs:-

“a) That, this Hon'ble Court may kindly be pleased to call the entire records from the respondents.

b) That, this Hon'ble Court may kindly be pleased to issue appropriate writ by directing the Respondent to make the reference to appropriate Authority in light of the representation.

c) That the Respondents authorities may kindly be directed to properly evaluate the land of the petitioners acquired by them and direct the Respondent authority to provide adequate compensation to the petitioners according to the documents on reports.

d) Any other relief, which this Hon'ble Court deems fit and proper, may also kindly be granted to the petitioners, in the interest of justice.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the lands belonging to the petitioners have been acquired; however,

adequate compensation has not been awarded to them. It is further submitted that the petitioners had moved an application before the concerned Collector Raigarh seeking reference for enhancement of compensation, and such reference application was submitted on 03.01.2013, but the same has not been decided till date. It is therefore prayed that the concerned Collector, Raigarh, be directed to consider and decide the said application of the petitioners in accordance with law within a time-bound manner.

4. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that he has no objection if this Court directs the concerned Collector Raigarh to consider and decide the application for reference filed by the petitioners on 03.01.2013, which, according to the petitioners, is still pending consideration.
5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the material available on record.
6. Upon perusal of the record, it appears that the petitioners have submitted an application dated 03.01.2013, before the concerned Collector, Raigarh seeking reference for enhancement of compensation against the award which, according to them, was passed on 12.05.2008 and the same requires reconsideration.
7. Since the said application is stated to be pending consideration for a considerable period, the concerned Collector, Raigarh, is

directed to examine the same and take an appropriate decision strictly in accordance with law. The competent authority shall first verify the application and thereafter decide it on its own merits after affording due opportunity to the petitioners, if required. The exercise shall be completed expeditiously, preferably within a period of **45 days** from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

8. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any opinion on the merits of the petitioners' claim for enhancement of compensation and all issues are left open for consideration by the competent authority.
9. With the aforesaid direction, the petition stands disposed of.

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(Amitendra Kishore Prasad)
Judge

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