

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 11481 of 2025**

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VISHNUBHAI VIRAMBHAI DESAI
Versus
STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.

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Appearance:
MS.NIDHI P BAROT(6675) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1
MS MAITHILI MEHTA, ASSISTANT GOVERNMENT PLEADER for the
Respondent(s) No. 1,2,3,5

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MRS.
JUSTICE SUNITA AGARWAL
and
HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE D.N.RAY**

Date : 13/07/2026**ORAL ORDER****(PER : HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MRS. JUSTICE SUNITA AGARWAL)**

1. The petitioner herein is aggrieved by non-payment of statutory interest under Section 80 of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 in an award passed on 14.02.2020 by the Special Land Acquisition Officer, Ahmedabad in Land Acquisition Case No.06 of 2018.

2. The contention of the petitioner in the writ petition is that instead of awarding interest under Section 80, only 9% as rent from the date of taking possession till the date of

payment or deposit of compensation has been awarded, which is not in conformity with the provisions of 2013 Act wherein Section 80 provides that if the amount of compensation is not paid or deposited on or before taking possession of the land, the landowners are entitled to interest at the rate of 9% for a period of one year from the date of taking possession and 15% after expiry of one year up till the date of payment or deposit of compensation.

3. However, to substantiate this submissions made at the bar, there is no basis in the writ petition. The date when the petitioner has been dispossessed from the land-in-question and the date of acquisition notification leading to making of award dated 14.02.2020 declared on 15.02.2020 in Land Acquisition Case No.06 of 2018 are missing.

4. As prayed by the learned counsel for the petitioner, two weeks time is granted to file an additional affidavit to bring on record the correct and complete facts with regard to the acquisition notifications leading to passing of the award dated 14.02.2020/ 15.02.2020 and the date of dispossession of the petitioner.

Put up this matter on **27.07.2026**.

(SUNITA AGARWAL, CJ)

(D.N.RAY,J)

A. B. VAGHELA

Original copy of this order has been signed by the Hon'ble Judges.
Digitally signed by: ARUNA BHARATSINGH VAGHELA(HC01079), PRIVATE SECRETARY, at High Court of Gujarat on 14/07/2026 11:25:33