

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI**

C.W.J.C. No. 3819 of 1993(R)

Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd. & Another ..... Petitioners  
Versus  
State of Bihar (now Jharkhand) & Others ..... Respondents

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**HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH SHANKAR**

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For the Petitioners: Mr. Indrajit Sinha, Advocate  
For the State: Mr. J.F. Toppo, G.A.-V

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1. Though the amendment application was delayed, still, by way of an indulgence, leave was granted, subject to payment of cost.
2. It is reported that the cost has been paid to JHALSA, Ranchi, but the amendment has not been carried out.
3. Since this is an old matter, the petitioners should have been more vigilant. Due to non-carrying out of the amendment, the matter cannot be heard today.
4. Though we had clarified in our order dated 11.03.2026 that no further adjournment would be granted, still, by way of last chance, time for carrying out the amendment is extended by a week from today, subject to payment of a cost of Rs.10,000/- in favour of the Advocate's Clerks Association Welfare Fund, Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi within this week itself.
5. After this extension is granted, similar extension of two weeks is granted to the respondents to file their reply, if they wish. No further time will be granted for filing reply.
6. Of course, the matter will have to be posted after summer vacation on 17.06.2026 at 2:15 PM, subject to override part heard matters.
7. If on the next occasion, the petitioners do not proceed with the matter by giving these types of reasons, we will consider dismissing the writ petition for non-prosecution.

8. In such old matters, the responsibility on the petitioners is much greater. Once schedules are fixed and if they are disturbed, it will be very difficult for this Court to dispose of the old matters on merits.

**(M. S. SONAK, C.J.)**

**(RAJESH SHANKAR, J.)**

22.04.2026  
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