

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

(Civil Miscellaneous Jurisdiction)

Contempt Case (Civil) No. 150 of 2024

M/s Techno Electric & Engg. Co. Ltd. Petitioner

Versus

The State of Jharkhand and others Opposite Parties

With

Contempt Case (Civil) Nos.152 of 2024, 153 of 2024 and 154 of 2024

CORAM: HON'BLE THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAVNEET KUMAR

For the Petitioner(s): Mr. Nitin Kumar Pasari, Advocate

Mr. Sidhi Jalan, Advocate

For the JBVNL: Mr. R. Venkataramani, Attorney General [through V.C.]

Mr. Rajiv Ranjan, Advocate General

Mr. Sachin Kumar, Sr. S.C.

Mr. Kumar Anurag Singh, Advocate

Mr. Piyush Chitresh, Advocate

For the State: Mr. Sharad Kaushal, A.C. to AAG-III

Order No. 05/Dated: 10th May 2024

The learned Attorney General has joined the Court proceeding through virtual mode.

2. To recapitulate, after the dismissal of Special Leave Petition (Civil) Diary No. 35251 of 2023 which was preferred by the JBVNL, the petitioner-Firms laid a proceeding before this Court under the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971. The reason was that, by that time, the JBVNL was unable to comply the directions issued by the writ Court for making payment to the petitioner-Firms.

3. The learned Attorney General apprises the Court, that against the order passed in other batch of writ petitions the JBVNL has approached the Hon'ble Supreme Court. According to the learned Attorney General, there still remains contentious issues which need to be addressed and that is the reason the present contempt proceeding may be deferred for some time.

4. However, making a fair proposal that the JBVNL shall make a computation for the payments to be made to the petitioner-Firms, the learned Attorney General submits that these contempt cases may be adjourned by

three weeks so that the parties may sit together and examine and calculate the legally payable dues to the petitioner-Firms.

5. Though Mr. Nitin Kumar Pasari, the learned counsel for the petitioner-Firms has expressed his anxiety as to delay in payment by the JBVNL, we are of the opinion that the proposal moved on behalf of the JBVNL as indicated by the learned Attorney General is fair and, therefore, hearing of these contempt cases is adjourned to be listed on 13th June 2024.

(Shree Chandrashekhar, A.C.J.)

(Navneet Kumar, J.)

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