

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P.(C) No. 1647 of 2026

Rambha Devi, aged about 37 years, wife of Raju Ranjan Kumar, resident of Kasap, P.O. and P.S. Kasap, District- Bhojpur, State- Bihar

... ... **Petitioner(s)**

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand through its Chief Secretary, Government of Jharkhand, having its Office at Project Bhawan, P.O.- Dhurwa, P.S.- Jagarnathpur, District- Ranchi.
2. Deputy Commissioner, Ranchi, having its office at Ranchi, P.O. – G.P.O, P.S.- Kotwali, District- Ranchi.
3. Land Reforms Deputy Collector, Ranchi, having its Office at Ranchi, P.O.- G.P.O- P.S.- Kotwali, District- Ranchi.
4. Circle Officer, Nagri, having its Office at Nagri, P.O. & P.S.- Nagri, District- Ranchi.

... ... **Respondent(s)**

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. Gautam Kumar Pandey, Advocate.

For the Respondent(s) : Mr. Prashant Pallav, A.S.G.I.

Mr. Bajrang Kumar, A.C. to A.S.G.I.

Ms. Shalini Shahdeo, A.C to S.C (L&C)-I.

02/ 18th March, 2026

1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel appearing on behalf of the State.
2. It is the case of the petitioner that she is the owner of the land on which she has constructed a house, but the Circle Officer, Nagri has verbally threatened the petitioner that they will demolish the house.
3. Further the grievance of the petitioner is that no notice of demolition has been issued with the reasons as to why the Circle Officer, Nagri wants to demolish the house of the petitioner.
4. After going through the records, I find that there are no documents which suggest that the respondents want to demolish the house of the petitioner. If the house of the petitioner needs to be demolished, reasons thereof and a notice should be given to the petitioner.
5. Without any notice reflecting with reasons, the respondents cannot outrightly demolish the house of the petitioner. Thus, I direct the respondents that if they intend to demolish the house of the petitioner for any purpose or for any

reasons or in pursuant to any order, the same should be communicated to the petitioner and sufficient time should be given to the petitioner before undertaking the action of demolition.

6. Accordingly, this writ petition is disposed of.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)

18.03.2026

Amar/-

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