

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P. (C) No. 2514 of 2026
Hindalco Industries Limited, Mumbai (Maharashtra)
..... Petitioner
Versus
The State of Jharkhand & Others
..... Respondents

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HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH SHANKAR

For the Petitioner: Mr. Indrajit Sinha, Advocate
For the State: Mr. Piyush Chitresh, A.C. to A.G.

02/22.04.2026

1. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
2. Mr. Indrajit Sinha, learned counsel for the petitioner, submits that in terms of the latest Notification No. 539 dated 10.12.2025, rates on cess for the Bauxite bearing land has been specified. He, however, submits that online portal, under which the petitioner is required to generate a challan, refers to certain earlier rates or the rates under Notification No. 538 also dated 10.12.2025, which are significantly higher than the rates specified in the latest Notification No. 539 dated 10.12.2025. He further submits that on account of failure to update the systems, the petitioner, under protest, has to pay cess at the old rates. He, therefore, seeks appropriate writ to direct the respondents to align online portal with the latest Notification No. 539 dated 10.12.2025.
3. Mr. Piyush Chitresh, learned A.C. to A.G., requests that the matter be posted on 29.04.2026 at 2:15 PM so that he can obtain instructions in the matter.
4. Accordingly, list this matter on 29.04.2026 at 2:15 PM.

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

(RAJESH SHANKAR, J.)