

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

WP(C) No.5770 of 2026

Krishnakant Mehta, aged about 65 years S/o Late Pravil Mahto,
R/o Village-Alaunja, P.O.-Ichak, P.S.- Ichak, Dist.- Hazaribag,
Jharkhand. **... Petitioner(s).**

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand
 2. The Commissioner, Chotanagpur Division, Hazaribagh, P.O. - Sadar, P.S. - Sadar, District -Hazaribagh, Jharkhand.
 3. The Deputy Commissioner, Hazaribag, P.O.- GPO, P.S.- Sadar, District- Hazaribag, Jharkhand.
 4. The Additional Collector, Land & Reforms, Hazaribag, P.O.- GPO, P.S.-Sadar, District-Hazaribag, Jharkhand.
 5. Land Reforms Deputy Collector, Hazaribag, P.O.-GPO, P.S.- Sadar, District- Hazaribag, Jharkhand.
 6. Bhola Turi, Son of Bhubneshwar Turi, permanent resident of village-Mokatma, PO & PS Daru, District- Hazaribag.
- ... Respondent(s).**

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. Gautam Kr. Pandey, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Ashutosh Anand, AAG-III

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07 /11.08.2026: Heard the learned counsel representing the petitioner and the learned counsel representing the respondents.

2. In this writ petition, the petitioner has prayed for the following reliefs:

“A.For issuance of an appropriate writ(s) / order(s) and / or direction (s) particularly a writ in the nature of Certiorari for quashing of order dated 14-11-2025 passed in Miscellaneous Appeal Case No. 03/2024 (Annexure-6) Passed by the Additional Collector, (Respondent No. 4), Hazaribagh, whereby the learned Additional Collector illegally and arbitrarily confirmed the order passed by the Land Reforms Deputy Collector, in Miscellaneous Case No. 10 of 2021-22, dated 02-11-2023 (Annexure-5) and also set aside the order dated 02/011/2023 passed by the Land Reforms Deputy Collector, (Respondent -5) in Miscellaneous Case No. 10 of 2021-22, dated 02-11-2023.

B. During the pendency of the present writ petition, further proceeding related to Miscellaneous Appeal No. 03/2024 may be stayed.

And/or

For further issuance of an appropriate writ(s)/order(s)/director(s) as Your Lordships may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case and in the interest of justice.”

3. It is the grievance of the petitioner that long running Jamabandi in the name of the petitioner has been cancelled and it has been recorded in the name of respondent no. 6-Bhola Turi, son of Bhubneshwar Turi. He submits that long running Jamabandi cannot be cancelled.

4. Learned counsel for the State submits that as per the case of the petitioner there is *inter-se* dispute between the petitioner and the respondent no. 6-Bhola Turi in relation to the right, title and possession of the land in question, which cannot be looked into in an application under Article 226 of the Constitution.

5. Considering the submission of the parties, since there is dispute in respect of right, title and possession of the property in question and admittedly the dispute is between the petitioner and the respondent no. 6, the better course for the petitioner would be to approach the Civil Court of competent jurisdiction.

6. Accordingly, this writ petition is **disposed of** with direction to the petitioner to approach the Civil Court of competent jurisdiction.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)

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