

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P.(C) No. 3107 of 2026

1. Viriya Oraon, S/o Late Jaura Oraon, R/o Village-Khora, P.O.-Khora, P.S. & Dist.-Gumla, Jharkhand
 2. Rati Oraon, S/o Late Vimal Oraon, R/o Village-Khora Jamtoli, P.O.-Khora, P.S. & Dist.-Gumla, Jharkhand
- ... Petitioner(s).**

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand through the Deputy Commissioner, Gumla, P.O. & P.S.-Gumla, Dist.-Gumla
2. The District Land Acquisition Officer, Gumla, P.O. and P.S. Gumla, District Gumla.
3. The Circle Officer, Gumla Block, Gumla, P.O. and P.S. Gumla. District Gumla.
4. The National Highway Authority of India through its Chairman, having its office at National Highway Authority of India, G-5 & 6, Sector-10, Dwarka, P.O. and P.S. Dwarka, District New Delhi.
5. The National Highways Authority of India through its Regional Officer, having its Regional Office at B-402, Road No. 4C, Ashok Po-Ashok Nagar, PS-Argora Ranchi, Jharkhand,
6. Smt. Ghudo Devi, wife of Late Jaura Oraon, resident of Village Lamkana Chutri, P.O.- Ita, P.S. Bero, District Ranchi, Jharkhand.
7. Bigu Devi, wife of Prabhu Oraon, resident of Village Atariya, P.O. Fouri, P.S. Gumla, District Gumla.
8. Kandi Devi, wife of Late Binod Oraon, resident of Ormanjhi, P.O. and P.S. Ormanjhi, District Ranchi.
9. Anita Devi wife of Sanjay Oraon, resident of Village Lamkana Chutri, P.O.-Ita, P.S. Bero, District Ranchi, Jharkhand
10. Sunita Devi wife of Ramkrishna Oraon, resident of Village Khora Jamtoli, P.O. Khora, P.S. Gumla, District Gumla.
11. Mahrang Oraon @Manoj Lakra, son of Late Bimal Oraon, resident of Village Khora Jamtoli, P.O. Khora, P.S. Gumla, District Gumla.

... Respondent(s)

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s)	: Mr. Atanu Banerjee, Advocate Mr. Aditya Banerjee, Advocate
For the State	: Mr. Rakesh Kr. Sahi, SC (L&C)-I
For the NHAI	: Mrs. Sweety Topno, Advocate Mr. Amrit Raj Kisku, Advocate

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02/ 29.04.2026 Heard, the learned counsel for the petitioner, learned counsel for the State and learned counsel for the respondent.

2. It is the grievance of the petitioner that the entire amount of

compensation assessed under the National Highways Act for acquisition of the ancestral land of these petitioners, were paid to the mothers of the petitioners and aunt of the petitioner No.2. The petitioners though have share in the same property, have not been paid any amount of compensation.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submit that the National Highways Act, 1956 being self-content Court provides for the appropriate remedies, which the petitioners have already availed by filing an application for reference under Section 3(H)(4) of the Act, but the respondents are sitting tight over the matter. He submits that suffice it would be if a direction is given to the District Land Acquisition Officer to pass an appropriate order on the representation of the petitioner and act accordingly.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the State and learned counsel for the respondent-National Highway Authority submits that if the matter is pending before the authority, an appropriate order will be passed.

5. Considering the said submission, I direct the petitioners to file a fresh representation along with a copy of this order before the District Land Acquisition Officer, Gumla, who after considering the same petition do the needful as per the Act and if it is necessary, he will refer the matter to the Civil Court in terms of the Act.

6. It is expected that the entire process should be concluded within a period of ten weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

7. With the aforesaid observation and direction, this writ petition stands disposed of.

8. Pending, I.A., if any, stands disposed of.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)