

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

Cont. Case (Civil) No.243 of 2024

Venkateshwar Nath Pandey ... Petitioner
Versus

State of Jharkhand & Ors. ... Opp. Parties

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**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUJIT NARAYAN PRASAD
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR RAI**

For the Petitioner : Mr. Akchansh Kishore, Advocate

For the Opp. Parties : Mr. Indranil Bhaduri, S.C.-IV.

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Order No.08/dated 06.02.2026

Show-cause has been filed on 15.01.2026

2. Mr. Indranil Bhaduri, learned Counsel appearing for the concerned Opp. Party has tried to impress upon the Court that the order has been complied with, since, the due quantification of the amount decided to be recovered on account of the pecuniary loss caused to the State Exchequer due to misconduct by the petitioner.

3. We have gone through the decision of the Committee constituted to assess the attributability of the present petitioner in sustaining cause to the State Exchequer and found at paragraph 8 of the show-cause dated 30.10.2025 that a sum of Rs. 99.67 lakh has been said to be attributability. But there is no basis of reaching to that amount. Quantification means that the loss sustained to the State Exchequer is equally to be distributed from the convicts, who have been convicted, being the public servant as also the other convicts so that the loss so sustained be adjusted by making recovery of the said amount from them individually.

4. Mr. Indranil Bhaduri, learned Counsel appearing for the Opp. Party has sought for further two weeks' time to clarify the position for the purpose of passing an order of acceptance of the present show-cause.

5. Let this case be listed on 27.02.2026.

(Sujit Narayan Prasad, J.)

(Arun Kumar Rai, J.)

6th February,, 2026
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