

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cont. Case (Civil) No.424 of 2024

M/s Anvil Cables Private Limited **Petitioner**

Versus

State of Jharkhand and Ors. **Opp. Parties**

With

Cont. Case (Civil) No.425 of 2024, Cont. Case (Civil) No.428 of 2024, Cont. Case (Civil) No.429 of 2024, Cont. Case (Civil) No.430 of 2024 & Cont. Case (Civil) No.551 of 2024

CORAM : HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUJIT NARAYAN PRASAD

For the Petitioner	: Mr. M.S. Mittal Sr. Advocate Mr. Salona Mittal, Advocate Mrs. Lavanya Gadodia Mittal, Adv. Mr. Yashdeep Kanhai, Advocate Mr. Arya Vardhan Singh, Advocate Ms. Divya Choudhary, Advocate Mr. Sourav K. Jha, Advocate
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(In all the cases)

For the State	: Mr. Sahbaj Akhtar, AC to AAG-III
For the JBVNL	: Mr. Ashok Kr. Yadav, Sr. S.C.
For JBOCWW Board	: Mr. Krishna Murari, Advocate Mr. Ritesh Kr. Pathak, Advocate Mr. Jayesh Anand, Advocate

21/Dated 09.01.2026

1. Heard learned counsel for the parties for some time.
2. At least *prima-facie*, we think that the dispute which has now considerably narrowed down to the payment of simple interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum on the refund amount, is between the JBVNL and the Labour Cess Board. The Labour Cess Board has also applied for intervention in this matter.
3. Therefore, we adjourn the matter to 2nd of February, 2026 to enable to the learned counsel for the JBVNL to obtain instructions

whether the JBVNL would pay interest amount on the refunds with liberty to recover such interest amount from the Labour Cess Board. At the same time, to protect the interest of the Board, all contentions of the Board about they not being liable to pay any amount to JBVNL can also be kept open.

4. We require such instructions because *prima-facie*, we are satisfied that this is a dispute between the JBVNL and the Board on account of which, the petitioner should not be made to suffer.

5. List the matter on **2nd of February, 2026**.

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

(Sujit Narayan Prasad, J.)

09.01.2026
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