

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

L.P.A. No. 295 of 2024

State of Jharkhand & Anr. ... Appellants
Versus
Samuel Dungdung and others ... Respondents

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

For the Appellants : Mr. Aditya Kumar, A.C. to Sr. S.C.-I.

08 /Dated: 15.01.2026

1. The State challenges order dated 08.02.2023 passed in W.P.(S) No. 6764 of 2013 by which the learned Single Judge had directed the reinstatement of respondent No.1 herein without any back wages.
2. Today, the learned counsel for the State seeks an adjournment to obtain instructions to find out whether respondent No.1 is already reinstated or not. There is no stay granted in this appeal. Therefore, by now, the appellants-State should have reinstated respondent No.1. In any event, the State cannot seek adjournments and then, on the ground of pendency of this appeal refused to comply with the direction for reinstatement.
3. However, at the request of the learned counsel for the appellants, we place this matter on 16th January, 2026 in order to enable learned counsel for the appellants to take instructions on the status of reinstatement of respondent No.1 herein.

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

(Sujit Narayan Prasad, J.)

15.01.2026

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