

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

W.P. (C) No. 6864 of 2025

Vijay Kumar Jha & Others Petitioners

Versus

Ranchi Municipal Corporation & Others Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH SHANKAR

For the Petitioner : Mr. Sumeet Gadodia, Advocate
Mr. Aditya Kumar, Advocate
Ms. Sharda Kumari, Advocate
Ms. Shruti Shekhar, Advocate
Mr. Nillohit Choubey, Advocate
Mr. Anish Lal, Advocate

For the Resp. Nos. 1 & 2 : Mr. L.C.N. Shahdeo, Advocate

For the Resp. Nos. 3 & 4 : Mr. R.N. Sahay, Sr. Advocate

Mr. Yashvardhan, Advocate

I.A. No. 17158 of 2025

7/ 29.01.2026 This I.A. filed for impleading the owners as party-respondent is allowed. The owners should be impleaded as respondent Nos. 5 to 16. Necessary amendment to be carried out within a week.

2. Notices are to be served to the newly impleaded respondents by taking emergent steps. In addition to usual mode of service, *Dasti* is also allowed.

3. Notices are made returnable on 17.02.2026.

4. This I.A. is disposed of.

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5. Mr. R.N. Sahay, learned senior counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent Nos. 3 and 4, on instructions, makes a statement that until the next date i.e. 17.02.2026, no construction will be carried out or proceeded with. He says that this statement, which is made on instructions, is to be treated as undertaking on behalf of the respondent Nos. 3 and 4.

6. Accordingly, we accept the above undertaking and post this matter for further consideration on 17.02.2026 at 2.15 pm.

7. It shall be the responsibility of the Municipal Commissioner of Ranchi Municipal Corporation to ensure that there is no construction at the site, now that 3rd and 4th respondents have undertaken not to carry out any construction. If any construction proceeds at the site, the Municipal Commissioner of the Ranchi Municipal Corporation will be held personally liable.

8. If any parties wish to file further pleadings or produce any further documents, they should do so, latest by 12.02.2026 by exchanging such pleadings / documents.

9. Respondent Nos. 1 and 2 are directed to respond to I.A. No. 530 of 2026. They are also free to file a detailed reply to the main petition itself and the other I.As filed in this petition. All these must be done by 13.02.2026.

10. Learned Senior Advocate for the respondent Nos. 3 and 4 places on record the photographs of the construction site. He says that such photographs have also been annexed to the I.A. filed today.

11. List this matter on 17.02.2026 at 2.15 pm.

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

(Rajesh Shankar, J.)

January 29, 2026

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