

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

F.A. No. 404 of 2026

Mahesh Rana	...	...	Appellant
<i>Versus</i>			
Deputy Commissioner, Koderma & Anr.	...	...	Respondents
With			

**F.A. No. 398 of 2026; F.A. No. 399 of 2026; F.A. No. 400 of 2026;
F.A. No. 401 of 2026; F.A. No. 402 of 2026; F.A. No. 403 of 2026;
F.A. No. 405 of 2026; F.A. No. 406 of 2026; F.A. No. 407 of 2026;
F.A. (F) No. 1576 of 2026; F.A. (F) No. 9292 of 2026; F.A. (F) No.
9302 of 2026; F.A. (F) No. 9336 of 2026**

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CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANUBHA RAWAT CHOUDHARY

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For the Appellant	: Mr. Kumar Rahul Kamlesh, Advocate : Mr. Abhilash, Advocate (Sl. Nos. 15 to 18)
For the Resp.-UOI	: Mr. Prashant Kumar Singh, DSGI Mr. Karbir, AC to DSGI
For the State	: Mr. Shashank Kumar, AC to GP-IV : Mr. Aman Shekhar, AC to GA-I : Mr. Suresh Kumar, SC (L&C) II

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08/15th September 2026

1. Learned counsel for the appellant has submitted that the cases at serial nos. 5 to 14 are already defect free and the case number in these cases has been instituted. These cases are barred by limitation and limitation petitions have been filed.
2. So far as the cases at serial nos. 15 to 18 are concerned, the learned counsel for the appellant has submitted that the interlocutory applications being I.A. No. 9886/2026, I.A. No. 11352/2026, I.A. No. 11349/2026 and I.A. No. 11354/2026 have been filed in the respective cases to enable the legal heirs of the deceased-awardees to pursue the appeal as the concerned awardees have expired after passing of the final judgment. The death certificate has also been placed on record in all these interlocutory

applications in relation to defect no. 25. The learned counsel submits that the defect no. 25 be ignored.

3. Learned counsel for the respondents has no serious objection with respect to ignoring the defendant no. 25 and the party position so as to enable the legal heirs of the concerned awardees to pursue the appeal.

4. Accordingly, **I.A. No. 9886/2026, I.A. No. 11352/2026, I.A. No. 11349/2026 and I.A. No. 11354/2026 filed in F.A. (F) No. 1576 of 2026; F.A. (F) No. 9292 of 2026; F.A. (F) No. 9302 of 2026; F.A. (F) No. 9336 of 2026 respectively** are hereby allowed.

5. It is made clear that the substitution is only for the purposes of the appeals and not for any other purpose.

6. The office defect in connection with defect no. 25 is hereby ignored in the cases at serial nos. 15 to 18.

7. At this, the learned counsel for the appellant has submitted that the office be directed to institute the case numbers with respect to the cases at serial nos. 15 to 18 and the matters be posted on 17th September 2026.

8. Let the case number be instituted with respect to the cases at serial nos. 15 to 18.

9. Post these cases on **17th September 2026** under appropriate heading in the supplementary cause list.

(Anubha Rawat Choudhary, J.)

Dated: 15.09.2026

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