

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
L.P.A. No. 728 of 2023

Smt. Suga Devi

... Appellant

Versus

Bharat Coking Coal Limited & Ors.

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUJIT NARAYAN PRASAD
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY PRASAD

For the Appellant	: Mr. Avishek Chandra, Advocate
For the State	: Mr. Srikanth Swaroop, AC to AAG-II

15/Dated: 4th May, 2026

1. Reference may be made to the order dated 19.02.2026 by which the specific direction was passed, based upon the submission made by the learned counsel for the State that the report will be brought on record by filing an additional affidavit.
2. It has been submitted by the Mr. Srikanth Swaroop that the said order was duly been communicated.
3. Even though we have gone through the report, this Court is very much surprised that when the Court has passed an order for submission of the report through the State counsel, but the Deputy Commissioner, Dhanbad has sent it directly addressing the same to the Assistant Registrar, Jharkhand High Court at Ranchi.
4. We have gone through the said report but it does not appear from the same that as to whether the mining operation was there over the land in question or not.
5. It is evident from the order dated 19.02.2026 that although we have passed a specific direction in a situation of dispute, having been

raised on behalf of the parties, on the issue of mining operation over the land in question. But, no such specific finding is there in the said report save and except, it has been referred that some digs and bushes are there over the land in question.

6. We are not satisfied with such report, as also the way, the enquiry has been conducted by the Deputy Commissioner.
7. However, without passing any comment at this stage upon the Deputy Commissioner, we are again granting two weeks' time to furnish specific report in this regard in pursuance of the order dated 19.02.2026.
8. Accordingly, list this case on 11th June, 2026.

(Sujit Narayan Prasad, J.)

(Sanjay Prasad, J.)

4th May, 2026
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