

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH  
AT JAMMU**

WP(C) No. 1612/2026  
CM No. 3590/2026

Abhijeet Singh

.....Applicant(s)/Petitioner(s)

Through :- Mr. Rahil Raja, Advocate.

v/s

UT of J&K and Others

.....Respondent(s)

Through :- Ms. Priyanka Bhat, Advocate vice  
Mr. Dewakar Sharma, Dy.AG

**CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MOKSHA KHAJURIA KAZMI, JUDGE**

**ORDER**  
**03.06.2026**

1. By this petition, the petitioner herein is seeking a direction upon respondents 4 and 5 to forthwith take a decision as regards approval or otherwise of the Mining Plan including Progressive Mine Closure Plan submitted by petitioner in the office of respondent No.2 through a recognized qualified person, with respect to Minor Mineral Block Ujh River Downstream NH Bridge at village Mahi Chak, District Kathua covering an area of 9.80 hectares on 08.09.2025 and further forwarded by respondent No.3 to respondent No.4 vide communication dated 29.10.2025 for grant of approval thereto by the District Mine Plan Approving Committee in terms of Government Order No.87-IND of 2020 dated 30.04.2020.

2. Notice. Notice is waived by Ms. Priyanka Bhat, learned counsel vice Mr. Dewakar Sharma, Dy. AG on behalf of respondents 1 to 3, 5 & 6; and vice Mrs. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG for respondent No.4, who seeks and is granted

four weeks' time for filing reply, with advance copy to learned counsel for the other side.

3. List on 10.07.2026.

4. Meanwhile, respondents are directed to consider the case of the petitioner with respect to the approval of Mining Plan including Progressive Mine Closure Plan submitted by petitioner in the office of respondent No.2, within a period of four weeks from today. Respondents are further directed to extend the validity of the period of Letter of Intent dated 11.08.2025, till next date of hearing, provided there is no legal impediment.

**(Moksha Khajuria Kazmi)**  
**Judge**

JAMMU  
03.06.2026  
Raj Kumar

