

**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN
AT JODHPUR**

S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 13833/2026
CNR: RJHC010632892026
URN: CW / 25187U / 2026

M/s Shri Shiv Shankar Infra Royalty Private Limited

-----Petitioner

Versus

The State Of Rajasthan

-----Respondent

For Petitioner(s)	:	Mr. Sandeep Singh Shekhawat, through VC
For Respondent(s)	:	Mr. Mahaveer Bishnoi, AAG Mr. Shyam Paliwal, DSG Mr. Tapendra Sankhla, caveator

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MUKESH RAJPUROHIT
Order

08/07/2026

Before starting the arguments, learned counsel – Mr. Tapendra Sankhla has entered a caveat on behalf of M/s Jeevraj Sankhla and submits that he being an aggrieved and affected party, may be supplied a copy of the petition.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has sought relief against the State of Rajasthan and not against M/s Jeevraj Sankhla, thus the said firm has no locus to appear in the present petition and is not an affected party.

In view of this matter, since M/s Jeevraj Sankhla is not a party, therefore, the said firm cannot be permitted to join the petition at this stage.

However, learned counsel appearing on behalf of M/s Jeevraj Sankhla shall be at liberty to file an appropriate application under Order I Rule 10 of CPC for impleadment as party respondent. The same will be considered at an appropriate stage.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the dispute essentially arises on account of the reclassification of "Limestone (Burning)" from a minor mineral to a major mineral. It is contended that various representations and communications concerning the manner of calculation and collection of royalty pursuant to such reclassification are presently under consideration before the Union of India. Despite the matter being under active consideration, the respondent authorities have issued impugned show cause notice dated 23.06.2026 (Annex.7) proposing premature termination of the petitioner's Excess Royalty Collection Contract solely on the basis of the aforesaid reclassification.

Learned Deputy Solicitor General, Mr. Shyam Paliwal, is directed to accept notice and appear on behalf of the respondent(s). He shall obtain complete instructions in the matter and apprise this Court regarding the decision, if any, taken by the Union of India with respect to the issue involved herein.

In view of the aforesaid circumstances, learned counsel for the petitioner made an oral prayer that the Union of India may also be impleaded as a party respondent in the present writ petition.

The oral prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner is allowed. The Union of India is permitted to be impleaded as a party respondent.

Learned counsel for the petitioner is directed to file an amended cause title within a period of two days.

List on 14.07.2026.

(MUKESH RAJPUROHIT),J