

In the High Court at Calcutta

Special Civil Jurisdiction

Appellate Side

Contempt

49 10.04.2026
Sc Ct. No.38

Case No. : CPAN 1217 OF 2025
in
WPA 12239 OF 2024

In the matter of :

Indrajit Das

-vs.-

Mr. Asit Biswas,

**Block Land and Land Reforms Officer,
Tamluk – II, Chatra Sahid Matangini Block
Chatra, Purba Medinipur
& Ors.**

For the Petitioner:

Mr. Dilip Kumar Sinha

....Advocate

For the Alleged Contemnors:

Ms. Munmun Tewary

Mr. Sanatan Panja.

....Advocates

This is a contempt application from an order dated

March 26, 2025. The relevant direction from the order

is quoted below :

*“In view of the above, the respondent no.9 upon issuing a prior notice to the petitioner and respondent no.8 shall cause the necessary demarcation of the **acquired portion** of land in the light of the existing land records and in accordance with law and then shall prepare a report with a proper sketch map showing demarcation of the **acquired portion** of land. The respondent no.9 then shall provide a copy of the said report along with the sketch map to the petitioner.*

The entire exercise shall be carried out and completed by the respondent no.9

*positively within a period of **six weeks** from the date of communication of this order.”*

The compliance report filed by the alleged contemnor no.3 is dated **September 12, 2025**, which is on record. The relevant portion from the compliance report is also quoted below:

“With reference to the above mentioned subject, the undersigned would like to inform that my predecessor in chair Sri Asit Biswas was released on 01/07/2025 and I took the same charge on 14/07/2025 vide Order No.2424-Esst. 1E-01/2024, dated. 25.06.2025 issued by Land & Land Reforms Department, Government of West Bengal.

Thereafter I have ordered to my concerned Revenue Inspector for conducting a joint enquiry with the representative of Executive Engineer, PWD (Roads), Tamruk Highway Sub-Division over the suit plot. The said enquiry was done on 05.08.2025 at 12.30 PM in presence of the petitioner Sri Indrajit Das. Both the Notice and the attendance sheet are hereto marked as ‘Annexure-A Colly’. ”

On a meaningful reading of the said compliance report, *ex facie* it appears that, the direction of the Court upon the respondent no.9 in the writ petition being the jurisdictional BL&LRO has not been complied with as the BL&LRO has not carried out the inspection and done the needful whereas he has delegated the Revenue Inspector from his Office to do it. This squarely amounts to a willful and deliberate violation of the direction of this Court dated **March 26, 2025**.

However, a further opportunity is granted to the jurisdictional BL&LRO to carry out the direction of this Court dated **March 26, 2025** in its true spirit and effect

and to file a compliance report on the next day. In the event of any disobedience of the direction of this Court, it may issue rule in accordance with the law.

Mr. Dilip Kumar Sinha, learned Advocate appears for the petitioner.

Exception affidavit filed by the petitioner in Court today, is taken on record. Copy has been served upon the learned Advocate appearing for the alleged contemnors.

Ms. Munmun Tewary, learned Advocate appears for the alleged contemnor nos. 2 and 3.

The inspection carried out by the R.I. as mentioned in the compliance report dated **September 12, 2025** and the finding thereof stands set aside.

After complying the direction of this Court, the alleged contemnor no.3 shall file a report on the next day.

The matter shall appear under the heading **'Contempt Application'** on **June 26, 2026**.

(Aniruddha Roy, J.)