

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cont. Case (Civil) No.352 of 2026

Srikant Singh, son of Late Indradev Singh, H. No.65000A5,
Nirmal Nagar, Near Durga Mandir, Majhitola, Adityapur, P.O.-
Adityapur, P.S. Adityapur, District-Seraikella-Kharsawan,
Jharkhand-831013.

..... Petitioner.

-Versus-

1. The State of Jharkhand.
2. Suraj Kumar, Managing Director, having its office at Harmu Housing Colony, P.O. and P.S. Harmu, District-Ranchi, Jharkhand.
3. Sunil Kumar, the Secretary, Jharkhand State Housing Board, having its office at Harmu Housing Colony, P.O. and P.S. Harmu, District-Ranchi, Jharkhand.
4. Deepak Sahai, Executive Engineer, Jharkhand State Housing Board, Adityapur, P.O. and P.S. Adityapur, District-Seraikella-Kharsawan, Jharkhand.
5. R. Manish Lakra, Revenue Officer, Jharkhand State Housing Board, having its office at Harmu Housing Colony, P.O. and P.S. Harmu, District-Ranchi, Jharkhand.

..... Opp. Parties.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH SHANKAR

For the Petitioner : Mr. Anish Kumar Mishra, Advocate
For the O.P. Nos.2 to 5: Mr. Sachin Kumar, Advocate

Order No.06

Date: 19.06.2026

1. The present contempt application has been filed for initiation of contempt proceeding as against the Opposite Party Nos.2 to 5 alleging wilful violation of the order dated 7th April, 2025 passed by this Court in W.P.(C) No.1562 of 2025.
2. Reference may be made to the order dated 12th June, 2026, which reads as under: -

"A supplementary show cause affidavit has been filed on behalf of the opposite party no. 2.- the Managing Director, Jharkhand State Housing Board, Ranchi, today (12.06.2026).

2. Mr. Gaurav Raj, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the opposite party nos. 2 to 5, while referring to letter no.

457/Aa. dated 10.06.2026 (Annexure-A to the supplementary show cause affidavit dated 12.06.2026) issued by the Revenue Officer, Jharkhand State Housing Board, Ranchi (the opposite party no.5), submits that in compliance of the order dated 07.04.2025 passed in W.P.(C) No. 1562 of 2025, revised amount has been calculated by the Housing Board adding simple interest over the due amount. It is thus submitted that the aforesaid order of this Court has now been complied.

3. *As against this, Mr. Anish Kumar Mishra, learned counsel for the petitioner, submits that letter no. 457/Aa. dated 10.06.2026 does not accompany any detail of the dues and as such the petitioner is not in a position to verify as to whether only simple interest has been added over the due amount.*

4. *I find justification in the submission of the learned counsel for the petitioner. Accordingly, the opposite party no. 2 is directed to file a supplementary show cause affidavit/compliance affidavit bringing on record the details of the dues as mentioned in letter dated 10.06.2026.*

5. *Put up this case under the heading for "Orders" on 19.06.2026.*

6. *I.A. No. 7600 of 2026 filed on behalf of the opposite party no. 2 seeking extension of time to comply the order of this Court is disposed of accordingly."*

3. Pursuant to the said order, a supplementary show-cause affidavit dated 16th June, 2026 has been filed on behalf the O.P. No.2 annexing a copy of calculation chart dated 10th June, 2026. It is stated in the said affidavit that in compliance of the order dated 7th April, 2025 passed by this Court in W.P.(C) No.1562 of 2025, the Revenue Officer, Jharkhand State Housing Board (in short 'JSHB') has issued the demand letter charging interest over the due amount as mentioned in the allotment letter.

4. Mr. Sachin Kumar, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the JSHB submits that in compliance of the aforesaid order of this Court, the compound interest earlier charged over the due amount has been waived. It is, thus, submitted that the aforesaid order of this Court has now been complied.
5. As against this, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that though the JSHB has waived the compound interest earlier charged, however they have levied simple interest at the rate of 13.5% which is arbitrary and illegal. Moreover, the handing over the possession of the land in question has also been delayed by the JSHB.
6. Be that as it may. Since the order dated 7th April, 2025 passed by this Court in W.P.(C) No.1562 of 2025 has now been complied by the Opposite Party Nos.2 to 5, there is no need to proceed further in the present contempt matter. The contempt proceeding as against the said opposite parties is, hereby, dropped.
7. The contempt application is, accordingly, disposed of.
8. The petitioner is, however, at liberty to take appropriate recourse as permissible under law for redressal of his subsisting grievance.

(Rajesh Shankar, J.)

19th June, 2026
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