

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

**L.P.A. No. 206 of 2013**

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The State of Jharkhand through the Principal Secretary,  
Department of Finance --- Appellant

Versus

Dhanpat Pandey & others --- Respondents

**With**

**L.P.A. No. 178 of 2013**

The State of Jharkhand & Another --- Appellants

Versus

Vidya Devi & others --- Respondents

**With**

**L.P.A. No. 704 of 2018**

Sahdeo Prasad --- Appellant

Versus

The State of Jharkhand through Secretary Finance & others --- Respondents

**With**

**L.P.A. No. 263 of 2020**

State of Jharkhand & others --- Appellants

Versus

Anant Pandey --- Respondent

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**CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rongon Mukhopadhyay  
Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ambuj Nath**

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For the Appellants: Mrs. Darshana Poddar Mishra, A.A.G-I (LPA 178/2013)

For the Pvt. Resp: Mr. Sanjay Prasad, Advocate (LPA 178/2023)

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**I.A. No. 5754 of 2025 in L.P.A No. 178 of 2013**

50 / 25.06.2025 Heard Mrs. Darshana Poddar Mishra, learned A.A.G-I for the appellant and Mr. Sanjay Prasad, learned counsel appearing for the substituted heirs of the original Respondent no. 1.

2. It has been submitted by the learned counsel for the appellant that on inquiry, it has come to light that the original Respondent no. 1 apart from being survived by his wife, is also survived by his two sons and daughter-in-law, mention of which has been made at paragraph-6 of the instant application.

3. It appears that earlier, an application for substitution was preferred by the appellant being I.A. No. 13518 of 2024, which was allowed on 16.01.2025 allowing the wife of the original Respondent no. 1 to be substituted with a further observation that if it comes to the knowledge of the appellant that there are other surviving heirs of the deceased Respondent No. 1, further steps shall be taken for their substitution. Consequent to the same, the present interlocutory application has been filed.

4. In view of the above therefore, the same is allowed and the deceased Respondent who has already been substituted by his wife as his legal heir, shall

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also be substituted by his legal heirs, as mentioned in paragraph-6 of the instant application. Office to do the needful.

5. Mr. Sanjay Prasad, learned counsel for the wife of the deceased Respondent No. 1 who has also already been substituted, shall take instruction, whether he will also appear on behalf of rest of the substituted legal heirs or not.

6. The aforesaid I.A. stands disposed of.

7. Let this matter be listed on 07.07.2025.

**(Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J)**

**(Ambuj Nath, J)**

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