Sr. No. 15

HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU

CCP(S) No. 317/2025 in
WP(C) No. 1145/2024

Kewal Singh and others …. Petitioner/Appellant(s)

Through:- Mr. Rajdeep Singh Thakur, Advocate

V/s

Anil Kumar Singh and others …..Respondent(s)

Through:- Ms. Pallavi Sharma, Advocate vice
Mr. Ravinder Gupta, AAG
Ms. Nisha Kangotra, Advocate vice
Mrs. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SINDHU SHARMA, JUDGE

ORDER
14.10.2026

1. Petitioners seek compliance with the order dated 07.03.2025, vide which the respondents were directed to initiate and complete the acquisition of the land of the petitioners in accordance with the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act/Rules for grant of compensation to the petitioners in lieu of their land taken for the construction of the road from Galli to Dhuril via Pachal in Panchayat Kanthi, Tehsil and District Ramban. The exercise was to be completed within a period of six months from the date a copy of the order was made available to the respondents. The respondents have failed to comply with the judgment, and resultantly, the petitioners have filed the present contempt petition.
2. This Court, vide order dated 17.04.2026, observed that the respondents were under an obligation to complete the proceedings by October 2025,

but no action had been taken for compliance with the judgment. Accordingly, the respondents were granted a last and final opportunity of four weeks to file a fresh compliance report, failing which, respondent Nos. 1 to 5 were directed to appear before this Court.

3. The respondents have filed the statement of facts on behalf of respondent Nos. 2 to 4 on 25.05.2026, wherein it is submitted that the respondents had been advised to file an LPA against the judgment dated 07.03.2025. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that they have filed an LPA against the judgment, which is listed on 31.10.2026.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the respondents have filed the LPA after a delay of more than 300 days beyond the period of limitation. As such, the LPA has not yet been registered, and notice has been issued only in the condonation of delay application. There is no interim order in favour of the respondents as on date.

5. Be that as it may, the respondents having taken the land of the petitioners, are duty-bound to comply with the judgment of this Court.

6. In the interest of justice, the respondents are granted one last opportunity of four weeks to comply with the judgment and file a compliance report in accordance with the judgment dated 07.03.2025, failing which, respondent Nos. 1 to 5 shall appear in person before this Court, either physically or through virtual mode, on the next date of hearing.

7. List on 25.11.2026.

(SINDHU SHARMA)
JUDGE

Jammu:
14.10.2026
VISHAL KHAJURIA