

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI**  
**Cr. Appeal (S.J) No. 149 of 2025**

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Mausam Kumar Singh .....Appellant

**Versus**

1. The State of Jharkhand  
2. Chandan Paswan ..... Respondents

**With**

**Cr. Appeal (S.J) No. 198 of 2025**

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Sahil Ansari .....Appellant

**Versus**

1. The State of Jharkhand  
2. Chandan Paswan ..... Respondents

**With**

**Cr. Appeal (S.J) No. 269 of 2025**

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Irfan Ansari .....Appellant

**Versus**

1. The State of Jharkhand  
2. Chandan Paswan ..... Respondents

**With**

**Cr. Appeal (S.J) No. 364 of 2025**

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Abhishek Kumar .....Appellant

**Versus**

1. The State of Jharkhand  
2. Chandan Paswan ..... Respondents

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**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY PRASAD**

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**05/13.06.2025** Mr. Rajiv Ranjan, learned Advocate General has appeared on behalf of the State assisted by Mr. Rajesh Kumar, learned A.P. P. and Mr. Srijit Choudhary, learned counsel assisted by Ms. Tanya Raj, Advocate has appeared on behalf of the BIT Mesra, Ranchi in all Criminal Revision Applications.

2. Mr. A. K. Kashyap, learned Senior Counsel has appeared on behalf of the appellant –Mausam Kumar Singh in Cr. Appeal (SJ) No. 149 of 2025, Mr. B. M. Tripathy, learned Senior Counsel has appeared on behalf of the appellant –Sahil Ansari in Cr. Appeal (SJ) No. 149 of 2025 and the appellant –Irfan Ansari in Cr. Appeal (SJ) No. 269 of 2025 and Mr. Ranjan Kumar Singh, learned counsel has appeared on behalf of the appellant –Abhishek Kumar in Cr. Appeal (SJ) No. 364 of 2025.

3. Pursuant to the order dated 12.06.2025, Sri Anurag Gupta, Director General of Police, State of Jharkhand, Prof. Indranil Manna, Vice Chancellor, BIT Mesra, Ranchi, Sri Vinay Sharma, Former Director, BIT Mesra, Ranchi and Sri Sandeep Das, Registrar, BIT Mesra, Ranchi are present in Court today.

4. This Court had made a query that as to what Management of BIT Mesra has done with regard to the incident taken place in the night of 14.11.2024 and as to whether any internal enquiry has been

conducted or not ?

Then it has been informed by Vice Chancellor, BIT Mesra that internal enquiry has been done and they have got the copy of the enquiry report, but they could not bring today before this Court.

5. This Court has further pointed out to Director General of Police, State of Jharkhand that there should be some security arrangements in the premises of the Educational Institutions so that any untoward incidents may not happen in future and if so required, a policy may be made by the State Government and SOP should be prepared for the entire State of Jharkhand in all the Educational Institutions for the security of the Students.

6. Learned Advocate General has pointed out that vide notification dated 05.12.2023 issued by the Home, Prison and Disaster Management Department, Government of Jharkhand, the State Government has conferred power to investigate the cases of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe (Prevention of Atrocities) Act upon the Dy.S.P. as well as Police Inspector and all the Officers of the rank of Sub-Inspector of Police in light of the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India passed in the case of State of Bihar and Others etc. Versus Anil Kumar and Others etc. [Civil Appeal No. 4397-4400 of 2017 Arising from S.L.P. (C) No. 27524-27 of 2011] with Civil Appeal No. 4401 of 2017 [Arising from SLP (C) No. 7317 of 2017] and learned Advocate General has pointed out that in view of the above notification dated 05.12.2023, the Sub-Inspector of Police is also empowered to investigate the cases of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe (Prevention of Atrocities) Act.

Learned Advocate General has also produced the photo copy of the above notification dated 05.12.2023 before this Court during course of the argument, let it be kept on record.

Learned counsel for the State is directed to furnish the copy of this notification to all the learned Senior Counsels as well as learned counsels appearing on behalf of the appellants.

7. Sri Anurag Gupta, Director General of Police, State of Jharkhand has also assured that SOP will be prepared with regard to Police Administration near the College Campus of the Universities in the State of Jharkhand and for which he will be taking necessary steps in consultation with the Officials of the State Government.

8. The Hon'ble Supreme Court has laid down certain guidelines in the case of Amit Kumar and Ors. Versus Union of India and Others reported in 2025 SCC Online SC 631 and other cases and learned Advocate General, Director General of Police, State of Jharkhand and Mr. Srijit Choudhary, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the BIT Mesra are directed to examine the issue and prepare necessary SOP as per the guidelines of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

9. This Court further directs the Management of BIT Mesra that CCTV footage should be handed over to Sri Rajiv Ranjan, learned Advocate General and Sri Anurag Gupta, Director General of Police, State of Jharkhand for further action, if so required with regard to incident taking place on 14.11.2024 at Block-A in front of Hostel in the Campus of BIT Mesra (Para-5 and 6 of the case diary) and near goal post outside the Campus of BIT Mesra and also CCTV footage of Hostel-01 and Hostel-02 (Para-40 of the case diary).

10. It reveals from the statements of some of the witnesses namely Somnath Deogharia, Gauri Shankar Giri, Prabhat Ranjan Mahto, Rajendra Mahto, Anuj Kumar, Sumit Mahto and Deep Raj Shekhar respectively that the College Management had informed the parents of the deceased- Raja Paswan that the deceased- Raja Paswan had taken 'wine' due to which he had become ill and thereafter he

was taken to his house by his parents and no treatment was given to the deceased student -Raja Paswan.

11. This Court does not appreciate the conduct of the Management of BIT Mesra for giving a vague and wrong information to the parents of the deceased student-Raja Paswan. This Court finds that copies of the CCTV footage of the entire incident have not been brought on record in the case diary.

12. This Court is further of the view that necessary SOP should be prepared by the College Management with regard to Administration during the Educational Sessions and SOP should also be prepared for the safety and security of the Students studying therein and shall submit its report on the next date fixed in this case.

13. However, this Court is further concerned that the Management should take some necessary steps for the parents of the deceased-Raja Paswan and apprise this Court.

14. Put up this case on 24.06.2025 at 2.15 P. M.

15. Personal appearance of Sri Anurag Gupta, Director General of Police, State of Jharkhand and Prof. Indranil Manna, Vice Chancellor, BIT Mesra, Ranchi are dispensed with for the present. However, Mr. Vinay Sharma, Former Director, BIT Mesra, Ranchi and Mr. Sandeep Das, Registrar, BIT Mesra, Ranchi shall remain physically present before this Court on the next date fixed.

16. Let a copy of this order be handed over to Mr. Rajiv Ranjan, learned Advocate General and Mr. Srijit Choudhary, learned counsel on behalf of the BIT Mesra, Ranchi for the needful.

**(Sanjay Prasad, J.)**

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