







IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BILASPUR (CHHATTISGAR

W.P.NO. 324 OF 2001

PETITIONER

Jawahar Lal S/o Ram Prasad Kashyap aged 27 (Twenty Seven) years, occupation agriculturist resident of and Permanent Address at village Bhalukona, Post Office Mohara, Tahsil Palari, District Raipur (Chhattisgarh).

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RESPONDENTS

 Tahsildar Gopal Janghel aged 50 (Fifty) years of Palari, Tahsil Palari, Sub Division Balodabazar District Raipur.

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- 2. United Commercial Bank, Branch Palari. Through: Branch Manager, Palari Sub-Division Baloda Bazar, District Raipur.
- Naib Tahsildar, Palari, Tahsil Palari, District Raipur.
- 4. Thes State of Chhattisgarh through the Secretary, Revenue Department, Raipur, Chhattisgarh
- 5. The Collector, Raipur, District Raipur (Chhattisgarh)

PETITION UNDER ARTICLE 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, FOR ISSUE OF WRIT IN THE NATURE OF CERTIORARY PROHIBITION, MANDAMUS ETC. OR ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE, DIRECTIONOR ORDER.

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Show 3.R. Verma, learned counsel for the petitioner.

Dr.N.K.Shukla, learned Dy.Advocate General, for the State.

Heard.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that as the actions of respondent/Tahsildar are contrary to law, the attachment of property is bad, is without notice to the petitioner and as the Tahsildar has acted contrary to the orders earlier passed by the High Court and as the property of the petitioner, has been put to auction for recovery of the loan amount even when the loan was not taken by the petitioner, this Court must interfere.

that on an earlier occasion the petitioner's father had come to the High Court in a writ petition. The High Court granted the relief to the petitioner's father inter-alia directing the Tahsildar under its Judgment dated 12-3-1999 that Ramprasad the father of the petitioner shall be entitled to file his objections before the Tahsildar and the said Tahsildar shall decide the objections in accordance with law. Undisputedly, after the orders passed by the High Court, the objections were filed and the objections were decided against Ramprasad. It appears that in the meanwhile, the present petitioner

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filed a suit in the court of Additional District Judge inter-alia submitting that the property belonging to the petitioner neither could be attached nor could be put to auction because the loan was time barred, the provisions of Lokdhan (Shodhya Rashi Ka Vasuli) Adhiniyam, was not applicable. He also contended that the loan was not taken either under the State sponsered Scheme or socially desirable scheme, therefore, the Tahsildar should not issue any It was also contended before the Civil Court that the propertynwhich belongs to the petitioner/plaintiff should not be attached or should not be put to auction. The Bank and the other parties appeared in the said civi suit and contested the application for grant of ad-interim The learned trial Court rejected the said injunction. application and while considering the prima-facie case observed that the suit prima-facie does not appear to be cognizable by the civil court. It accordingly rejected the injunction application. Undisputedly, aggrieved by the said order rejecting application for injunction, the plaintiff/petitioner has filed a Miscellaneous Appeal i the High Court. In the said appeal, notices have been issued to the other side and the said appeal is still pending.

Confronted with the legal position that on the face of pendency of the civil suit, how a writ petition would lie to the High Court, Shri Verma submits that as the Civil Court has already observed that it would have

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no jurisdiction to try the suit, the petitioner is left with to no remedy but approach this Court.

The argument is misconceived. The civil suit has not been dismissed for want of jurisdiction. The civil Court while deciding the application for grant of injunction has observed that the civil Court may not have jurisdiction to decide the suit. It is not in dispute before me that as on today, the civil suit is still pending.

Shri Verma next submits that subsequent to filing of the suit, as number of the events have taken place and as the civil Court would have no jurisdiction to grant the relief to the petitioner, this Court must interfere. In the opinion of this Court, this argument cannot be accepted. Once it is admitted by the petitioner that at his instance a civil suit is filed and the same is pending, then, so long as the civil suit is pending, this Court would not exercise its jurisdiction under articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India. Even otherwise, when a civil suit is an alternative remedy and is available to the petitioner, this Court may refuse to interfere in a particular matter.

In the present case, the suit has already been and instituted, subsequent to filing of the suit the petitioner

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