

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

W.P.(C) No. 64 of 2023

Vijay Kumar Yadav

..... Petitioner

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand

2. The Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Certificate Officer, Deoghar

3. The District Transport Officer, Deoghar

..... Respondents

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH SHANKAR

For the Petitioner: None

For the Respondents:

04/31.07.2023 No one appears on behalf of the petitioner.

The present writ petition has been filed for issuance of direction upon the concerned respondents to refund the road tax received from the petitioner with respect to his vehicle [Extra Vator Commercial (JCB) bearing Registration No. JH15U 4631] for the period from March, 2020 to 2021 i.e. the period during which the said vehicle could not be used due to lock down imposed in the wake of Covid-19 pandemic.

A counter affidavit has been filed on behalf of the respondents annexing the copies of Notification Nos. 2276 dated 20.10.2020 & 785 dated 29.07.2021 issued by the Department of Transport, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi whereby certain exemptions from payment of road tax have been given to particular categories of vehicles during the lock down period.

On perusal of the aforesaid notifications, it appears that the petitioner's vehicle i.e. JCB does not come under the category of exempted vehicles. Hence, the petitioner's prayer made in the present writ petition cannot be entertained.

The present writ petition is accordingly dismissed.

Satish/-

(RAJESH SHANKAR, J)