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### **BHUKIA LEGAL CHALLENGE EXPANDED IN RAJASTHAN HIGH COURT**

The Rajasthan Government issued an administrative Order and Guidelines on 5 February 2008 that effectively removed the obstacle presented to grant of mining and exploration tenure in Tribal Lands within Rajasthan.

Unfortunately, attendant with this instruction is another that cancels all pending applications and calls for the filing of new applications from all comers. This could be viewed as an attempt to usurp JV rights as we have pending PL and ML applications over our (now) expired Jagpura RP and in effect this administrative order calls for these to be cancelled.

Accordingly, the JV (via MMI) has issued a second writ in the High Court of Rajasthan at Jodhpur praying for the quashing and setting aside of this order in as far as it permits the filing of new applications by third parties within grounds (previously) held by the JV under RP.

On legal advice, the JV also filed new PL and ML applications by the date allowed under the 5 February 2008 order, as insurance against competing applications. We are aware of several competing applications, some from large Indian companies.

In the meantime, at a hearing on 5 May 2008, again the Assistant Advocate General, representing the State, appeared unprepared and the matter was adjourned until 13 May 2008; an interim stay order was granted to us over the 16 November notification by the State (reserving grounds within our RP areas for departmental exploration). This was seen by our legal representatives as quite an achievement. The Assistant Advocate General has not presented any serious arguments that concern us in any of the HC hearings to date.

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