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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPS No. 2189 of 2026

1. Union Of India, Through Its Secretary, Department Of Indian Post Ministry Of Communication And Technology, Dak Bhawan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi.
2. Chief Post Master, Head Office Raipur, District Raipur (C.G.).

... Petitioners

versus

1. Hemchanran Sahu, S/o Chhedu Ram Sahu, Aged About 32 Years, R/o Village Malda A, Post Pasid, Police Station Kosir, Tahsil And District Raigarh (C.G.).
2. Hempushpa Sahu, D/o Chhedu Ram Sahu, Aged About 32 Years, R/o Village Malda A, Post Pasid, Police Station Kosir, Tahsil And District Raigarh (C.G.).
3. Uttra Kumar Sahu, S/o Firat Sahu, Aged About 26 Years, R/o Village Malda A, Post Pasid, Police Station Kosir, Tahsil Sarangarh, District Raigarh (C.G.).
4. Khagesh, S/o Jagdishl, Aged About 30 Years, R/o Nishad Para, Baradoli, Post Patrsendri, Tahsil Saraipali, District Mahasamund (C.G.).

... Respondents

For Petitioners : Mr. Ramakant Mishra, learned Deputy Solicitor General of India.

Hon'ble Shri Krushna Ram Mohapatra Chief Justice &

Hon'ble Shri Justice Santosh Sharma

Order on Board

Per Krushna Ram Mohapatra, Chief Justice

15/10/2026

1. Heard Mr. Ramakant Mishra, learned Deputy Solicitor General for petitioners / Union of India.
2. The petitioner, Union of India, in this writ application seeks to assail order dated 10.09.2025 (Annexure P/1) passed by the Central Administrative Tribunal (for brevity, "the Tribunal") in Original Application No. 203/1090/2022.

3. Mr. Mishra, learned Deputy Solicitor General of India, submits that the Original Application was heard along with several other Original Applications filed by candidates who were held to be disqualified to face the selection process for engagement as Gramin Dak Sevaks (for brevity, "GDS"). It is submitted that pursuant to the notification at Annexure P/2, a candidate should have the following educational qualification:-

"Secondary School Examination pass certificate of 10th standard having passed in Mathematics and English (having been studied as compulsory or elective subjects) conducted by any recognized Board of School Education by the Government of India/State Governments/ Union Territories in India shall be a mandatory educational qualification for all approved categories of GDS."

4. The respondent herein produced a Secondary School Examination Certificate, issued by the Board of School and Technical Education (C.G.). The Secondary School Examination Certificate in respect of the respondent was not issued by a recognized Board of Secondary Education. It is submitted that, as per the letter dated 24.12.2021 issued by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, only the Chhattisgarh Board of Secondary Education, Raipur and Chhattisgarh State Board of Open School, Raipur are recognized in respect of the State of Chhattisgarh. Thus, the respondent did not possess the minimum educational qualification to be engaged as GDS. Learned Tribunal, without considering the same, passed the impugned order under Annexure P/1. Hence, this writ petition has been filed.
5. Upon hearing Mr. Mishra, learned Deputy Solicitor General of India, and perusing the record, most particularly the impugned order dated 10.09.2025 (Annexure P/1), it is evident from paragraph 8 that the Chhattisgarh Board of Secondary Education, Raipur, which is a recognized Board by the Central Government vide order dated 09.02.2015, had suspended recognition of the Board of School and Technical Education, Chhattisgarh, with immediate effect. However, in the said letter, it was clarified that those students who had

obtained their mark-sheets between 07.11.2012 and 10.03.2014 may not be disqualified for higher studies. In the instant case, the respondent was issued with the certificate and mark-sheet as Annexure P/3 on 20.12.2012. Thus, the respondent cannot be held to be disqualified for consideration for engagement as GDS. Learned Tribunal, taking note of the same, proceeded to hold that the respondent possessed the minimum qualification to be considered for engagement as GDS.

6. In view of the discussions made above, we find no infirmity in the impugned order (Annexure P/1) passed by the Tribunal. Hence, the writ petition, being devoid of any merit, stands dismissed.

**Sd/-
(Santosh Sharma)
Judge**

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(Krushna Ram Mohapatra)
Chief Justice**