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NAFR**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR****WPIL No. 25 of 2026**

In The Matter Of Suo Moto Public Interest Litigation Based On News Item
Published In Dainik Bhaskar, Dated 03-05-2026 In Which News Items, Namely
- Sunday Big Story, 7 K.M. Sadak Par 131 Maveshi, Ek Chowkidar Ke
Bharose Puri Vyavastha, Lakhasaar Ke Gaudham Me 10 X 26 Fit Ki Chhoti
Jagah Me Thuse 205 Maveshi, Chara-Pani Tak Nahi.

... Petitioner(s)**versus**

**1 - State Of Chhattisgarh Through Chief Secretary, Mahanadi Bhawan, Atal
Nagar, Nawa Raipur, Chhattisgarh**

**2 - President, C.G. State Gauseva Aayog, Sarguja Kutir, Vidhayak Colony,
Raipur, Chhattisgarh**

**3 - Joint Director Of Veterinary Services Chhattisgarh Indrawati Bhawan
Block-3 Atal Nagar, Nava Raipur, Chhattisgarh**

4 - Collector, Bilaspur, District- Bilaspur (C.G.)

**5 - The Secretary, Government Of Chhattisgarh, Department Of Live Stock,
Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawan, Atal Nagar, Raipur, Chhattisgarh.**

... Respondent(s)

(cause title taken from CIS)

For State/Respondents : Mr. Shashank Thakur, Addl. Advocate General.

Hon'ble Shri Ramesh Sinha, Chief Justice

Hon'ble Shri Ravindra Kumar Agrawal, Judge

Order on Board

Per Ramesh Sinha, Chief Justice

13/07/2026

1. This is an office reference.
2. The present Public Interest Litigation has been registered suo moto by this Court on the basis of a news item published on 3rd May, 2026 in a daily newspaper, Dainik Bhaskar, Bilaspur dated 03.05.2026, with headings namely, "संडे बिग स्टोरी (Sunday Big Story) 7 किमी सड़क पर 131 मवेशी; एक चौकीदार के भरोसे पूरी व्यवस्था" and "लाखासार के गौधाम में 10 × 26 फीट की छोटी जगह में ठूंसे 205 मवेशी, चारा-पानी तक नहीं."
3. The issue involved in the present Public Interest Litigation is with respect to the prevention of road accidents caused by stray cattle and also taking the notice of a news item published in daily news paper "Dainik Bhaskar" dated 03.05.2026 that about 205 cows have been crammed into a tiny space of 10X26 feet enclosure and all the cattle were standing packed inside the same enclosure, with not even enough space left to sit.
4. This Court vide order dated 04.05.2026, called a detail response from the State authorities explaining the steps taken and proposed to be taken on the deficiencies.
5. In compliance of the Court's order dated 04.05.2026, the Secretary, Govt. of Chhattisgarh, Department of Agricultural and Live Stock Development, Mantralaya, Nawa Raipur, filed affidavit and then the case was fixed for further monitoring.
6. It has been informed by the State authorities that with respect to the same subject matter and issue, another WPPIL No. 95/2025 is pending

before this Court for its consideration, in which various observations have been noticed by this Court on the affidavits filed by the State authorities.

7. It has been further informed by the learned State counsel that no further instances of cattle casualties has been reported and the State authorities have already implemented structured and multi level mechanism for management and monitoring of stray cattle which includes temporary shelters, Gaushalas and Gaudham Yojana, under the scheme of State Government.

8. Since the issues raised in the present suo motu Public Interest Litigation are substantially and materially covered in WPPIL No. 95 of 2025, which is already pending before this Court for effective monitoring and consideration, we are of the considered view that no separate proceedings are required to be continued in the present matter.

9. Accordingly, the present Public Interest Litigation stands **disposed of**, leaving it open for the issues, if any, concerning the subject matter to be considered in **WPPIL No. 95 of 2025**, which is already pending before this Court.

Sd/-

(Ravindra Kumar Agrawal)
Judge

Sd/-

(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice

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