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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPS No. 5784 of 2026

Ram Lal Khandekar S/o Late Saheb Lal Khandekar Aged About 73 Years R/o Ward No. 14, Banjari, Chowk Nagar Panchayat Bhatgaon, District Sarangarh, Bilaigarh C.G.

... **Petitioner**

versus

1 - State Of Chhattisgarh Through Secretary Education Department Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawan Nava Raipur Atal Nagar District Raipur C.G.

2 - Director Directorate School Education Department Indrawati Bhawan Nava Raipur Atal Nagar District Raipur C.G.

3 - Collector Food Branch Janjgir Champa District Janjgir Champa C.G.

4 - Block Education Officer Bilaigarh District Sarangarh, Bilaigarh, Earlier District Baloda Bazar Bhatapara C.G.

5 - Account General (Accounts And Entitlement) Fund-2, Zero Point, baloda Bazar Road District Raipur C.G.

... **Respondent(s)**

(Cause title is taken from Case Information System)

For Petitioner	: Mr. Kaushal Yadav, Advocate
For Respondents/ State	: Ms. Apurva Nigam, Panel Lawyer
For Respondent No.5	: Mr. R. K. Gupta, Advocate

Hon'ble Shri Bibhu Datta Guru, Judge

Order on Board

31/07/2026

1. By the present writ petition, the petitioner seeks a direction to the respondent authorities to finalize his General Provident Fund (GPF) account and to release the outstanding GPF amount along with all admissible consequential benefits, in accordance with law.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner retired from the Food and Civil Supplies Department on 31.07.2012. He submits that during his earlier service as an Assistant Teacher, GPF deductions were made from his salary in GPF Account No. CED207970. Despite the Block Education Officer, Bhilaigarh having forwarded the requisite records to the office of the Accountant General vide letter dated 08.02.2017, the petitioner's GPF account has not yet been finalized and the outstanding GPF amount has not been released. It is, therefore, prayed that the respondent authorities be directed to finalize the petitioner's GPF account and release the admissible amount with all consequential benefits, in accordance with law.
3. Learned counsel appearing for the State as well as the counsel for respondent No.5 would submit that for redressal of any grievance regarding retiral dues of a retired employee, the State

Government has constituted a High Power Pension Redressal Committee and the representatives of the Accountant General are also member therein, therefore, it will be appropriate to refer the present matter to the said Committee, further the Committee shall decide the same in accordance with law.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the parties, perused the documents available on record.
5. Considering the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner and the submissions made by learned counsel for the respondents, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the petitioner to furnish a copy of the writ petition along with all relevant documents before the Office of the Advocate General within a period of one week. Upon receipt thereof, the Office of the Advocate General shall forward the same to the High Power Pension Redressal Committee within a further period of 15 days. The said Committee shall thereafter consider and decide the grievance of the petitioner regarding finalization of his GPF account and release of the outstanding GPF amount, in accordance with law, after affording an opportunity of hearing to all concerned parties, including the Office of the Accountant General, the School Education Department and the Food and Civil Supplies Department, as well as the petitioner, and pass an appropriate reasoned order preferably within a period of 60 days thereafter.

6. With the aforesaid observation and direction, this writ petition is disposed of.

Sd/-
(Bibhu Datta Guru)
JUDGE

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