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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPS No. 7574 of 2026

Smt. Tarni Shukla W/o Shri Anand Shukla Aged About 52 Years Lecturer (Anudan) Vivekanand Vidyapeeth Adarsh Awashi Ucchatar Madhyamik Vidyalaya Ramkrishna Paramhanse Nagar, Kota, Distt. Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

... **Petitioner(s)**

versus

1. State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Secretary, School Education Dept., Mantralay, Mahanadi Bhawan, Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
2. State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Secretary, Department Of Tribal Welfare (Sc, St Development Department), Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawan, Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
3. Director Public Instructions Indrawati Bhawan, Atal Nagar, Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
4. Collector Distt. Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
5. Commissioner Schedule Tribe And Schedule Cost Development Department, Government Of Chhattisgarh, Raipur, Distt. Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
6. District Education Officer Raipur, Distt. Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
7. Vivekanand Vidyapeeth Ramkrishna Paramhanse Nagar, Kota, Distt. Raipur, C.G. Pin 492010, Through Secretary, Vivekanand Vidyapeeth Adarsh Awashi Ucchatar Madhyamik Vidyalaya Ramkrishna Paramhance Nagar, Kota, Distt. Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

... **Respondent(s)**

(Cause title is taken from Case Information System)

For Petitioner	: Mr. Anupam Dubey, Advocate
For Respondent/	: Mr. Soumitra Kesharwani, P.L.
State	

Hon'ble Shri Bibhu Datta Guru, Judge**Order on Board****15.10.2026**

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is working as a Lecturer under respondent No. 7; however, his salary has been withheld since March, 2026, on the ground of certain observations made by this Court in W.A. No. 142 of 2018 and other connected matters, *Hiran Deo v. State of Chhattisgarh*, as well as by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in SLP No. 13277 of 2020, vide order dated 02.09.2025. He further submits that no specific order has been passed in respect of the petitioner directing discontinuation of his services. Despite the same, the petitioner's salary has not been released. It is further submitted that the petitioner has preferred an appeal/representation before the Director of Public Instruction (DPI), vide Annexure P-8 dated 18.06.2026, which is pending consideration. Learned counsel, therefore, prays that the present writ petition may be disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to decide the pending appeal/representation within a stipulated period.
2. Learned State counsel, while raising no objection to the prayer made on behalf of the petitioner, submits that, in case the appeal/representation preferred by the petitioner is pending consideration, the same shall be considered and decided, in accordance with the directions issued by this Court as well as the Hon'ble Supreme Court, within a period of 40 days.

3. Heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the material available on record.
4. In view of the submissions made by learned counsel for the parties and considering the nature of the relief sought, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the Director of Public Instruction (DPI) to consider and decide the petitioner's pending appeal/representation dated 18.06.2026, in accordance with law and in due consideration of the directions issued by this Court as well as the Hon'ble Supreme Court, within a period of 40 days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.
5. Accordingly, the writ petition stands **disposed of**.

Sd/-

(Bibhu Datta Guru)
JUDGE

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