

**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**

**WPS No. 4640 of 2016**

A. K. Shukla S/o Late Y.N. Singh, Aged About 56 Years Posted As Manager, Legal, South Eastern Coalfields Limited, Gevra Raea, Post Gevra, Project, District Korba Chhatisgarh

**---- Petitioner**

**Versus**

1. Coal India Limited Through Chairman Cum Managing Director, Coal India, Limited, Coal Bhawan Premise No 04 M.A.R. Plot No A.F. Ill, Action Area, 1 A, Newtown, Rajarhat, Kolkata W.B.
2. Chairman Cum Managing Director, Coal India Limited, Coal Bhawan, Premise No 04 M.A.R. Plot No Af Ill, Action Area 1a, Newtown, Rajarhat, Kolkata, W.B.
3. Chairman Cum Managing Director, South Eastern Coalfields Limited, Seepat, Road, District Bilaspur Chhattisgarh

**---- Respondents**

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Shri Chandresh Shrivastava, counsel for the petitioner/s.  
Shri Vivek Chopra, counsel who usually appears to respondents is also present in the Court.

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**Hon'ble Shri Justice Manindra Mohan Shrivastava**

**Order On Board**

**08/09/2016**

The grievance of the petitioner is that his appeal against the order of penalty has remained pending before respondent No.2 for the last four months.

2. Drawing attention to the provisions contained in Rule 36 of the Conduct Discipline and Appeal Rules, 1978, it is submitted that under the Rules, appeals are required to be decided within a period of three months.

3. Considering the aforesaid submission, there is no need to direct learned counsel for the respondents to file any reply and instead, this petition is disposed off at this stage with a direction to respondent No.2 to decide the appeal within a period of three months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

**Sd/-**

**(Manindra Mohan Shrivastava)  
Judge**