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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**Writ Petition (S) No.5058 of 2016**

1. Rajeshwar Singh Loniya S/o Shri Gulab Singh Loniya, Aged About 29 Years Working As Assistant Teacher Panchayat Government Primary School, Fulwari Block Lormi, Distirct Mungeli Chhattisgarh
2. Ramanuj Vishwakarma, S/o Shri Jaykumar Vishwakarma, Aged About 32 Years Working As Assistant Teacher Panchayat Government Primary School, Ramhepur Block Lormi, Distirct Mungeli Chhattisgarh
3. Jayprakash Kashyap S/o Bhagwati Prasad Kashyap Aged About 28 Years Working As Assistant Teacher Panchayat Government Primary School, Dhaurabhath, Block Lormi, Distirct Mungeli Chhattisgarh

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1. State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Secretary, Panchayat And Rural Development, Department, Mahanadi Bhawan, New Raipur Chhattisgarh
2. The Chief Executive Officer, Zila Panchayat Mungeli, Distirct Mungeli Chhattisgarh
3. The Chief Executive Officer, Janpad Panchayat Lormi, Distirct Mungeli Chhattisgarh

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For Petitioners	:	Mr. Rahul Mishra, Advocate
For Respondent-State	:	Mr. Shangharsh Pandey, Dy. Govt. Advocate

Hon'ble Shri Manindra Mohan Shrivastava, J.**Order on Board****22/09/2016**

1. Heard on admission.
2. The grievance ventilated through this petition is on account of non-consideration of petitioners' case for promotion on the next higher post of Teacher (Panchayat).
3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are in public employment with avenue of promotion provided under the Govt.

recruitment rules known as Chhattisgarh Teacher (Panchayat) Cadre (Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules, 2012. It is submitted that the petitioners have completed minimum eligibility of 7 years and large number of posts of Teachers (Panchayat) are lying vacant. The petitioners enjoy a very high position in the seniority list and is therefore within the zone of consideration. However, till date, respondents have not considered the case of the petitioners for promotion.

4. Learned counsel for the State submits that this grievance can be ventilated by the petitioners invoking the remedy of statutory representation to the competent authority as provided under Rule 18 (1) (b) of the Panchayat Service (Discipline and Appeal) Rules, 1999 (for short "*the Rules of 1999*"). A perusal of the aforesaid Rule clearly provides that a member of the Panchayat Service may make representation against an order which amongst others, denies promotion to a higher post or service to which is otherwise eligible according to recruitment rules and which is due to their in accordance to seniority.

5. This Court, in similar cases, has already disposed off the petition with a direction to consider representations in terms of statutory rules.

6. Accordingly, this petition is also disposed off with a direction that in case the petitioners prefer representations, the same shall be considered and decided by the authority by speaking order within a period of 6 months from the date of receipt of representations.

Sd/-
(Manindra Mohan Shrivastava)
Judge