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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**WPC No. 2891 of 2016**

- Shivprasad Soni S/o Shri Laxmi Aged About 48 Years R/o D. S. P. Road Gumla, State Jharkhand.

---- Petitioner**Versus**

1. State of Chhattisgarh Through Secretary, Department of Transport Naya Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawan, New Raipur (Chhattisgarh)
2. State Transport Authority Raipur, Naya Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawan, New Raipur (Chhattisgarh)

---- Respondents

For Petitioner	:	Shri Santosh Gupta, Advocate
For Respondents-State	:	Shri UNS Deo, GA for the State

Hon'ble Shri Justice Prashant Kumar Mishra**Order On Board****23/11/2016**

1. Grievance of the petitioner is that he has moved an application before the respondent on 12.07.2016 for grant of counter signature of the regular permit number P.S.T.S. 13/2016 on the route Chirmiri to Ranchi via Gumla, Jashpur, Kunkuri, Ambikapur, Baikunthpur and Chirmiri with one single trip daily, which is pending consideration.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the writ petition may be disposed of with a direction to the respondent to decide the said application expeditiously.
3. Learned State counsel would submit that the application of the petitioner shall be considered and decided along with all pending applications for the

concerned route, in accordance with law and on its own merits as expeditiously as possible.

4. In view of the fact that petitioner's application is pending consideration, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondent to decide the petitioner's application and all other applications pending before it for the concerned route, within reasonable time.
5. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any opinion on the merits of the case and the respondent authorities shall decide the matter, on its own merits, strictly in accordance with law, without treating any observation made in this order, as opinion on the merits of the case.

Sd/-

JUDGE

PRASHANT KUMAR MISHRA

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