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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**WPC No. 539 of 2017**

- Sudama Prasad Gupta S/o Shri Ramkhilawan Ram, Aged About 50 Years R/o Balgidih, Ambikapur, District Surguja (Chhattisgarh)

---- Petitioner**Versus**

- Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Ambikapur District Surguja, Chhattisgarh.

---- Respondent

For Petitioners
For Respondent /State

Mr. CJK Rao, Advocate
Mr. UNS Deo, Government Advocate

Hon'ble Shri Justice Prashant Kumar Mishra**Order On Board****8/3/2017**

1. Grievance of the petitioner is that he has moved an application before the respondents on 24.04.2015 for grant of regular stage carriage permit on the route Ambikapur to Kunkuri via Raghunathpur, Vira, Batouli, Baghicha, Kaliya, Bhagrav and one return 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 respondents 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 authorities 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)