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**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR****WPC No. 2283 of 2017**

Gulab Bai D/o Late Mohanlal Mishara, Aged about 48 years R/o Village Bahanpath, Tah- Katghora, District Korba Chhattisgarh.

**---- Petitioner****Versus**

1. South Eastern Coalfields Ltd. Through the Director (Personnel), Seepat, Road, Bilaspur Chhattisgarh.
2. Chief General Manager, South Eastern Coalfields Ltd., Gavera Extension Opencast Project, Gavera Area, District Korba Chhattisgarh.
3. Land Revenue Officer, South Eastern Coalfields Ltd., Office of the General Manager, Gavera Extension Opencast Project, Gavera Area, District Korba Chhattisgarh.
4. Union of India Through Secretary, Ministry of Coal, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. Collector, Korba, District Korba Chhattisgarh.

**---- Respondents**


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Shri Sanjay Kumar Agrawal, counsel for the petitioner.  
 Shri Prasoon Bhaduri, G.A. for the State.  
 Mrs. Purnima Singh, counsel for respondent No. 04.  
 Shri Shailendra Shukla, counsel for respective respondents.

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**Hon'ble Shri Justice Sanjay K. Agrawal****Order On Board****24/08/17**

Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner's land has been acquired under the provisions of Coal Bearing Act (Acquisition and Development Act), 1957 (for short the "Act of 1957") and the compensation amount has been paid to her without interest whereas she is entitled for interest on the compensation amount as per the provision of Sections 16 & 17 of the said Act. The petitioner has also made a representation before the competent authorities but it has not been

considered and decided till date.

2. The prayer appears to be fair and reasonable.

3. Be that as it may, the respondents No. 1, 2 & 4 are directed to consider the petitioner's representation under the light of the provision of Sections 16 & 17 of the Act of 1957 and take decision on the petitioner's representation expeditiously preferably within a period of three months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

4. With the aforesaid directions, the writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

Sd/-

**(Sanjay K. Agrawal)**

Judge