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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**W.P. (S) No. 6266 of 2016**

1. Purshottam Das, son of Sonadas, aged about 64 years, resident of Village-Kosamghat, Tahsil & Police Station-Gharghoda, District Raigarh (C.G.)
2. Dure Das, Son of Jaggu Das, aged about 64 years, resident of Village Pusalda, Tahsil & Police Station-Gharghoda, District Raigarh (C.G.)

---- Petitioners**Versus**

1. State of Chhattisgarh, Through the Secretary, Rural Industries (Sericulture Sector), Mahanadi Bhawan, New Raipur, P.S.- Rakhi, District Raipur (C.G.)
2. The Director, Directorate of Rural Industries Chhattisgarh, (Sericulture Sector), Sonakhan Bhawan, Ring Road, Raipur (C.G.)
3. The Deputy Director, (Sericulture Sector), Raigarh (C.G.)
4. The Joint Director, Treasury, Account & Pension, Raigarh, District – Raigarh (C.G.)

---- Respondents

For Petitioner: Mr. Harish Khuntiya, Advocate.
 For Respondent/State: Mr. Prasun Bhaduri, Govt. Advocate.

Hon'ble Shri Justice Sanjay K. Agrawal**Order On Board****24/01/2017**

(1) The petitioner has filed this petition seeking issuance of direction for consideration of his application for grant of pension.

(2) Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in view of the order of the Division Bench passed on 26/02/2015 in W.A. No.281/2013 (*Lakhanram Sahu and ors. Vs. State of*

Chhattisgarh and ors.) and batch of appeals, the period of services rendered by the petitioner after completion of five years of contingency service are required to be treated as temporary and consequently for pension purposes. He submits that otherwise also, as the petitioner had completed six years of service after his regular appointment, he is entitled to pension in view of provisions contained in Pension Rules, 1979.

(3) Learned State counsel submits that though there is no quarrel with the legal proposition in the judgments of this Court, whether the petitioner is entitled to the benefit, would depend upon whether the petitioner is similarly situated and verification of facts with regard to date of appointment, regular appointment and date of retirement.

(4) Considering the submission, this petition is disposed off with a direction to the respondents to consider petitioner's case in the light of order dated 26/02/2011 passed in W.A. No.281/2013 and batch of petitions and upon verification of facts, if it is found that the petitioner is similarly situated, same benefit shall be extended to the petitioner in accordance with law.

(5) Considering that the petitioner has already retired as contingency employee, it is directed that decision should be taken within an outer limit of three months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

Sd/-

(Sanjay K. Agrawal)
Judge

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