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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**WPC No. 164 of 2018**

Adarsh Prathmik Sahakari Upbhokta Bhandar Lajpatrai Nagar Ward No. 23, District Bilaspur Through Its President Smt. Pushpa Shukla W/o Shri Rakesh Shukla, Aged About 50 Years, R/o Khaparganj, Lajpatrai Nagar Ward No. 23, District Bilaspur Chhattisgarh.

---- Petitioner**Versus**

1. State of Chhattisgarh Through Secretary, Department Of Food Civil Supplies And Consumer Protection, Mahanadi Bhawan New Mantralaya, District Raipur Chhattisgarh., District : Raipur, Chhattisgarh
2. The Director, Directorate Of Food Civil Supplies And Consumer Protection, Block No. 2, 3rd Floor, Indrawati Bhawan New Mantralaya, District Raipur Chhattisgarh.
3. The Collector (Food) Collectorate Office Bilaspur District Bilaspur Chhattisgarh.
4. The Controller (Food) Near Collectorate Office, Bilaspur District Bilaspur Chhattisgarh.

---- Respondents

For Petitioner	:	Mr. Prakash Tiwari, Advocate.
For Respondent/ State	:	Mr. B. Gopa Kumar, Dy. Adv. General.

Hon'ble Shri Justice Sanjay K. Agrawal**Order On Board****22/01/18**

1. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the impugned order dated 05.01.2018 (Annexure – P/1) passed by respondent No. 4 and show cause notice dated 12.09.2017 (Annexure – P/2) issued by respondent No. 3 is without jurisdiction and without authority of law and clause 16(3) of the Chhattisgarh Public Distribution System (Control) Order 2016 has not been followed by the respondent authorities, against which this writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India has been filed.

2. On the other hand, learned counsel appearing for the State would submit that against the order of Collector, the petitioner has an efficacious remedy to file an appeal under Clause 18(2) of the Chhattisgarh Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2016 before the State Government.

3. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the impugned order with utmost circumspection.

4. Earlier, this Court by order dated 13.07.2017 has referred the matter to the Collector, Bilaspur to consider and take a decision on the case of the petitioner as per Clause 16(3) of Chhattisgarh Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2016. Pursuant to the order of this Court, the Collector, Bilaspur has passed the impugned order after providing proper opportunity of hearing to the petitioner.

5. Since the petitioner has an efficacious remedy to file an appeal under Clause 18(2) of the Chhattisgarh Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2016 before the State Government, therefore, I am not inclined to entertain the instant writ petition. Accordingly, the writ petition is dismissed. However, the petitioner is at liberty to prefer an appeal before the State Government in accordance with law.

Sd/-

(Sanjay K. Agrawal)
Judge