

HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR**WPC No. 382 of 2020**

Sadoumani Khalkho S/o Hardugan Khalkho, Aged About 67 Years R/o Q.
No. 385 Dinagapur, Rampur- Korba District Korba Chhattisgarh

---- **Petitioner**

Versus

1. State Of Chhattisgarh Through, Secretary Department Of Religious Trust And Religion, Directorate Of Public Relation, Raipur Chhattisgarh
2. Collector And District Magistrate Korba, District Korba Chhattisgarh
3. Rev. Dular Lakra, Bishop Of N.W.G.E.L. Church, Grossner Mission Compound Campus Main Road, Ranchi, Jharkhand
4. Rev. John Tirkey, Dean Of N.W.G.E.L. Church, Sarhapani, Jashpur, Post Kasabel, District Jashpur Chhattisgarh
5. Rev. Gladson Minj, Priest/ Pastor And Chairman Of N.W.G.E.L. Church, Dingapur Rampur, Office Cum Residence Church Campus Dingapur Rampur Korba, District Korba Chhattisgarh
6. Station House Officer, Rampur, Korba, District Korba Chhattisgarh

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For Petitioner	:	Mr. N. K. Shukla, Senior Advocate with Mr. Ajay Lakra, Advocate
For State	:	Mr. V. R. Tiwari, Additional AG

Hon'ble Shri Justice P. Sam Koshy
Order on Board

28/01/2020

1. The limited relief that the petitioner has sought for in the present writ petition is for issuance of a mandamus to the respondents to provide separate cups for individual members in the Church as they perform holy commune during the church prayer.
2. At the outset, this Court is of the opinion that the relief sought and the nature of writ sought for cannot be issued in matters touching religion

and customs followed in a particular Church for a particular community or a particular sect.

3. This Court therefore is reluctant to entertain the writ petition.
However, petitioners are at liberty to approach the authorities concerned for ventilating their grievances if any.
4. The writ petition therefore stands rejected.

Sd/-
(P. Sam Koshy)
Judge

Rohit