

HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**WPS No. 2150 of 2020**

- Smt. Savitri Bai W/o Late Shri Ranglal Kanwar Aged About 65 Years Resident Of Village Parsahi (Dhana), P.S. And Tahsil - Akaltara District - Janjgir-Champa Chhattisgarh

---- Petitioner**Versus**

1. State Of Chhattisgarh Through - The Secretary, (Resham Department) Rural Industries Mantralay, Mahanadi Bhawan, Atal Nagar, District New Raipur Chhattisgarh
2. The Director, Directorate Of Rural Industries, (Resham Department) Chhattisgarh, Indrawati Bhawan, Block-1, 4th Floor, Atal Nagar, District - Raipur Chhattisgarh
3. District Resham Officer In Front Of Rest House, Kulipota, District - Janjgir-Champa Chhattisgarh
4. Joint Director, Treasury Account And Pension, Bilaspur, District - Bilaspur Chhattisgarh

---- Respondents

For Petitioner : Ms. Varsha Sharma, Advocate

For Respondents/State : Shri Sudeep Agrawal, Dy. AG

Hon'ble Shri Justice Goutam Bhaduri**Order****16/06/2020**

1. Learned counsel for the parties would submit that the matter in issue is covered by the common order dated 26.2.2015 passed by the Division Bench of this Court in WA No.281 of 2013 (Lakhanram Sahu and others Vs. State of Chhattisgarh and others) and other connected writ appeals. Against the said order, the State travelled up to the Supreme Court by filing SLP (C)Nos.11541-11550/2016, which have been dismissed by the Supreme Court, affirming the

order passed by the Division Bench of this Court. They would pray that this writ petition may also be allowed in the same terms.

2. Learned State counsel would submit that though there is no quarrel with the settled legal position, however, before extending the benefit to the petitioner, it would require verification of facts, particularly, regarding the status of the deceased employee as to whether he was in contingency establishment. Subject to verification of the said fact, the benefit would be extended to the petitioner on similar lines as ordered in the case of Lakhanram Sahu (supra).
3. In view of the above, this petition is also disposed off with direction to respondents to examine petitioner's entitlement in the light of aforesaid decision in the case of Lakhanram Sahu (supra) and upon verification of facts, if it is found that the petitioner's husband is entitled to similar relief as ordered in the case of Lakhanram Sahu (supra), the same benefit shall be extended to the petitioner as early as considering that the petitioner's husband has already died, the exercise should be completed within a maximum period of 90 days from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

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Goutam Bhaduri
Judge

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