

HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**WPC No. 2258 of 2020**

1. Nazruram S/o Salik Ram Aged About 61 Years R/o Village- Udaan, Tahsil- Chhuikhadan, District- Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh
2. Prakash Das Tandan S/o Kallu Das Tandan Aged About 56 Years R/o Village- Udaan, Tahsil- Chhuikhadan, District- Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh
3. Babulal Sahu S/o Balram Sahu Aged About 57 Years R/o Village- Udaan, Tahsil- Chhuikhadan, District- Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh
4. Janak S/o Tirith Ram Aged About 71 Years R/o Village- Udaan, Tahsil- Chhuikhadan, District- Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh
5. Sampuran Das Tandan S/o Pranesh Das Tandan Aged About 32 Years R/o Village- Udaan, Tahsil- Chhuikhadan, District- Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh

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1. State Of Chhattisgarh Through-The Secretary Agriculture And Bio-Technology Department Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhavan Capital Complex, New Raipur, District- Raipur, Chhattisgarh
2. The Collector, Rajnandgaon, District- Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh
3. The S.D.M., Chhuikhadan, District- Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh
4. Sahkari Sanstha-Sewa Sahkari Samiti Maryadit, Manikchouri, Reg. No. 983 Block-Chhuikhadan, District-Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh,
5. The Agriculture Insurance Company Of India Ltd. Pandari, Raipur, District- Raipur, Through The Regional Manager, District : Raipur, Chhattisgarh
6. Jila Sahkari Kendriya Bank Maryadit Manikchouri, Block-Chhuikhadan, District- Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh, Through The C.E.O., District : Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh
7. The Apex Bank New Raipur, District- Raipur, Chhattisgarh
8. The Registrar Co-Operative Society Raipur, District-Raipur, Chhattisgarh

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For Petitioner	:	Mr. Sachin Nidhi along with Mr. Hariom Rai, Advocates
For State	:	Mr. Sudeep Verma, Dy. G.A.
For Resp. No. 7	:	Mr. Prafull N. Bharat, along with Mr. Jitendra Shrivastava, Advocates.

Hon'ble Shri Justice P. Sam Koshy

Order on Board

20.10.2020

1. Learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are farmers of village Udaan Tahsil Chhuikhadan, District Rajnandgaon. The crops grown by the petitioners are insured under the scheme of Central Government namely, "Pradhanmantri Fasal Bima Yojna" but due to short rainfall in the year 2019-20 in the region, there is situation of drought/natural loss/ natural calamity in the area and yield of the crops in the area is less than 25%. He further submits that in the similarly situated villages, the farmers have already been given the benefit of crop insurance but the petitioners have not been extended the benefit of crop insurance, for which they have made a representation to the Collector, Rajnandgaon, but the same has not been considered and decided till date, therefore, a direction may be issued to the Collector, Rajnandgaon to consider and decide the same expeditiously.
2. Prayer appears to be fair and reasonable and the same is accordingly allowed.
3. Be that as it may, the Collector, Rajnandgaon is directed to consider and decide the petitioners' representation in accordance with law expeditiously, preferably within a period of 45 days from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. The petitioners are also at liberty to supply additional material/documents before the Collector in support of their cases.
4. With the aforesaid direction/observation, the writ petition accordingly stands disposed of.

Sd/-

**(P. Sam Koshy)
Judge**