

**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**

**WPS No. 400 of 2020**

1. Gayatri Bai W/o Kale Khan Aged About 56 Years Working As Rasoia, In Primary School Usmal R/o Village Kende, Post Dhodedand, Rajnandgaon District : Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh
2. Minata Bai Kosare W/o Ravindra Kosre Aged About 30 Years Working As Rasoia At Primary School Khursipar, R/o House No. 13 Ward No. 10 Khursipar Block Mohla, Rajnandgaon, District : Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh
3. Nirmala Nishad D/o Anand Ram Nishad Aged About 35 Years Working As Rasoia In Middle School Dumar Toli, House No. 29 Ward No. 3 Imartola, Block Mohla Rajnandgaon, District : Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh
4. Sangita Bai W/o Suresh Kumar Aged About 42 Years Working As Rasoia In Primary School Kudumkasa R/o Ward No. 3 Kudumkasa Dumar Tola, Rajnandgaon Block Mohla District Rajnandgaon Chhattisgarh.
5. Mehrum Nisha Bi W/o Kale Khan Aged About 56 Years Working As Rasoia In Primary School Kande, R/o Village Kande Block Mohla District Rajnandgaon Chhattisgarh.
6. Santram Koretti S/o Raiduram Aged About 46 Years Working As Rasoia Primary School Kulhardoh R/o Village Arajkund Block Mohla District Rajnandgaon Chhattisgarh.

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**Versus**

1. Union of India through the Secretary Human Resources Development Department of School Education and Literacy Mid Day Meal Division Sahshtri Bhawan New Delhi, District : New Delhi, Delhi
2. State of Chhattisgarh through the Secretary of Department of Labour Mahanadi Bhawan Naya Raipur, Atal Nagar District Raipur Chhattisgarh, District : Raipur, Chhattisgarh

--- **Respondents**

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| For the Petitioner            | : Mr. N.K. Malaviya, Advocate  |
| For respondent No.1           | : Mrs. Purnima Singh, Advocate |
| For the State/respondent no.2 | : Mr. Kapil Maini, Advocate    |

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**Hon'ble Shri Justice Goutam Bhaduri**

**Order on Board**

**23.01.2020**

1. The grievance of the petitioners is that they were engaged as Cooks for preparation of mid-day meals under the mid-day meal Scheme and without framing proper working hours, the petitioners are required to work from early

morning to late evening on every working day. However, the petitioners are being paid meager sum of Rs.1500/- per month, therefore, the suitable remuneration may be fixed at par with the working hours.

2. Learned State Counsel submits that the petitioners may be allowed to make a representation to respondents 1 & 2 and on such representation being filed, the same may be decided taking into consideration the plight of the petitioners.
3. Considering the submission made, without any observation on merits of the case, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction that if the petitioners make representation to respondents 1 & 2 canvassing their grievance within a period of 2 weeks, then the same may be considered and decided as early as possible preferably within a further period of four weeks.

Sd/-  
**(GOUTAM BHADURI)**  
**JUDGE**