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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**Writ Petition (S) No. 1717 of 2021**

V. N. Dubey S/o Late Chhabinath Dubey, Aged About 57 Years
Presently Posted As Forest Range Officer, Khairagarh Forest Range,
Khairagarh Division, District- Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh

---- **Petitioner****Versus**

1. State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Principal Secretary, Department Of Forest, Mahanadi Mantralaya, Naya Raipur, Atal Nagar, Post Office And Police Station Naya Raipur, Atal Nagar, District- Raipur, Chhattisgarh
2. Principal Chief Conservator Of Forest, Department Of Forest, Aranya Bhawan, North Block, Sector- 19, Kotara Bhantha, Atal Nagar, Naya Raipur, Post Office And Police Station Naya Raipur, District- Raipur, Chhattisgarh
3. Additional Principal Chief Conservator Of Forest (Admn./Aaraj) Department Of Forest, Aranya Bhawan North Block, Sector- 19, Kotara Bhantha, Atal Nagar, Naya Raipur, Post Office And Police Station Naya Raipur, District- Raipur, Chhattisgarh
4. Chief Conservator Of Forest, Department Of Forest, Aranya Bhawan North Block, Sector- 19, Kotara Bhantha, Atal Nagar, Naya Raipur, Post Office And Police Station Naya Raipur, District- Raipur, Chhattisgarh
5. Divisional Forest Officer, Raipur Forest Division, District- Raipur, Chhattisgarh

---- **Respondents**

For Petitioner	:	Mr. S. S. Baghel, Advocate
For State	:	Mr. Shreshta Gupta, P.L.

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

06.04.2021

1. The grievance of the petitioner in the present writ petition seems to be the order Annexure P-1 which is firstly an order of recovery of an amount of Rs.2,30,274/- from the salary payable to the petitioner and secondly is also an order of punishment whereby the respondents have imposed a punishment of stoppage of one annual increment without cumulative effect.
2. Perusal of the record would show that the petitioner had immediately preferred a departmental appeal to the appellate authority where the appeal is pending consideration for more than a year now.
3. Given the fact that the departmental appeal of the petitioner is pending consideration before the respondents, the writ petition at this juncture stands disposed of directing the appellate authority to consider and decide the appeal, if it has till date not been decided, at the earliest preferably within a period of 60 days from the date of receipt of copy of this order.
4. The writ petition accordingly stands disposed of.

Sd/-
P. Sam Koshy
Judge