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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPURWPIL No. 41 of 2020

1. Suo Motu Regarding Inordinate Delay And Pendency Of Postmortem Reports In The C I M S Hospital Bilaspur, District Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.

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Versus

1. State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Chief Secretary, Mantralaya, Nava Raipur, District Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
2. The Secretary Department Of Public Health And Family Welfare, Mantralaya, Nava Raipur, District Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
3. The Special Secretary State Of Chhattisgarh, Public Health And Family Welfare Department, Nava Raipur, District Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
4. The Director General Of Police Police Head Quarter, Nava Raipur, District Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
5. The Inspector General Of Police Range Bilaspur, District Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.
6. The Divisional Joint Director Health Services, Bilaspur, District Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.
7. The Dean Chhattisgarh Institute Of Medical Sciences, Bilaspur, District Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.

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- This is an office reference.
 - Shri S.C. Verma, Advocate General with Shri Chandresh Shrivastava, Dy. Adv. General for the State.
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Hon'ble Shri Prashant Kumar Mishra, Ag CJ &
Hon'ble Smt. Rajani Dubey, J.

Order On Board

By

Prashant Kumar Mishra, Ag. CJ

15/09/2021

1. This PIL (Public Interest Litigation) was registered on the basis of newspaper report highlighting the issue of delay in preparation and issuance of postmortem reports by the CIMS (Chhattisgarh Institute of Medical Sciences), Bilaspur.
2. Cognizance of the facts mentioned in the newspaper reports was taken and a report was summoned from the Secretary to the Government of Chhattisgarh, Department of Health and other authorities. This was done before registration of PIL.
3. After issuance of notice in this PIL, status report has been filed stating that as on the date of status report i.e. 3-6-2020 only two postmortem reports are pending and twelve reports which are already completed but have not been received were also informed to the Police Department for collecting the same and thus all postmortems conducted by the CIMS have already been finalised and reports have been prepared.
4. Shri S.C. Verma, learned Advocate General informs that he had sought instructions from the Head of Forensic Department of

CIMS, Bilaspur, yesterday and as per the information all postmortem reports have been prepared and information has been sent to the Police Department for collecting the same.

5. In view of foregoing, we deem it appropriate to dispose of the PIL, however, at the same time, it is directed that the CIMS, Bilaspur, shall always maintain promptitude in preparation of postmortem reports and sending the same to the concerned police at the earliest.
6. With the aforesaid observations and directions, the PIL stands disposed of.

Sd/-

(Prashant Kumar Mishra)
Acting Chief Justice

Sd/-

(Rajani Dubey)
Judge

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