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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR**WPS NO. 3034 OF 2021**

- Balmukund Sahu, S/o Miluram Sahu, aged about 36 years, Teacher (L.B.), Govt. Middle School Chandaini, Block S. Lohara, Distt. Kabirdham (CG)

... Petitioner**versus**

1. State of Chhattisgarh, through the Secretary, Department of Panchayat and Rural Development, Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawan, Atal Nagar, Nava Raipur, District Raipur (CG)
2. The Secretary, Department of Education, Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawan, Atal Nagar, Nava Raipur, District Raipur (CG)
3. Commissioner-cum-Director, Directorate of Panchayat, Atal Nagar, Nava Raipur, District Raipur (CG)
4. Chief Executive Officer, Zila Panchayat, Kabirdham, District Kabirdham Chhattisgarh
5. District Education Officer, Kabirdham, District Kabirdham (CG)

... Respondents

For Petitioner	:	Mr. C.J.K. Rao, Advocate.
For Respondents/State	:	Mr. Neeraj Pradhan, Panel Lawyer.

Hon'ble Shri Justice P. Sam Koshy**Order on Board****01/07/2021**

1. Grievance of Petitioner in the present Writ Petition is that he was initially appointed on the post of Shiksha Karmi Grade-III on 24.6.2005. Subsequently, he again joined on the post of Shiksha Karmi Grade-II on 13.10.2008. He completed 8 years of service on 24.6.2013 from the initial appointment and entitled to receive the revised pay-scale from 24.6.2013, however, the same has been granted to him from 4.6.2016.
2. Learned Counsel for Petitioner submits that similarly situated persons have filed WPS No.95 of 2019 and WPS No.99 of 2019 for grant of arrears of pay scales wherein this Court has passed the following order:-

“2. The limited grievance which the petitioner has raised in this writ petition by virtue of order passed by this Court in the case of Mukesh Kumar Patel Vs. State of Chhattisgarh, WPS

No. 2530/2017 decided on 26.11.2017 has been granted benefit of revised pay scale on completion of 8 years of service.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the grievance which now remains is that the benefit is being provided to the petitioner prospectively and though the respondents have made a calculation which the petitioner was entitled for from the date of his completion of 8 years of service but no effective orders have been passed nor have department taken any steps for release of the arrears of payment. The petitioner prays for appropriate direction to the respondents for releasing the said amount.

4. Without entering into the merits of the case and taking into consideration the judgment of this Court in the case of Mukesh Patel (Supra) which has also been affirmed by the Division Bench and taking note of the fact that the respondents have complied with the order to the extent of granting revised pay scale to the petitioner, let respondents 2 & 3 take an appropriate decision at the earliest so far as release of the arrears of payment which the petitioners are entitled for. Excepting a decision from the respondents within a period of 90 days from the date of receipt of copy of this order, the present writ petition stands disposed off."

3. Learned State Counsel does not dispute the fact that the similar issue raised in present case has been decided by this Court in WPS No.95 of 2019 & WPS No.99 of 2019.

4. In view of above, it is ordered that the orders passed in WPS No.95 of 2019 and WPS No.99 of 2019 shall also be applicable in the present Writ Petition also. It is directed that Respondents No. 3 & 4 shall take appropriate decision at the earliest for releasing the arrears of payment which the Petitioner is entitled for. It is expected that a decision shall be taken within a period of 90 days from the date of receipt of copy of this Order.

5. With the aforesaid observations, the Writ Petition stands disposed of.

Sd/-
(P. Sam Koshy)
JUDGE