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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR

W.P.(C) No. 4771 of 2021

Smt. Prem Bai, S/o. wife of Praduman Koshle, aged about 66 years, R/o. Village Annapurnapara Kanker, Police Station Kanker, District Kanker Chhattisgarh

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Versus

1. State of Chhattisgarh, Through : Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management Department Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawan Atal Nagar Nawa Raipur District Raipur Chhattisgarh
2. Collector, North Bastar Kanker Chhattisgarh
3. Sub Divisional Officer, Revenue Kanker, District North Bastar Kanker Chhattisgarh
4. Tahsildar, Kanker District North Bastar Kanker Chhattisgarh
5. Chief Municipal Officer, Nagar Palika Parishad, Kanker District North Bastar Kanker Chhattisgarh
6. Sahdev Samrath, son of Mahruram Samarth, R/o. Village Adeega Keshkal, Police Station Keshkal, Kanker District North Bastar Kanker Chhattisgarh
7. Harikishan, son of Keshav Kumar Samrath, R/o. Village Adeega, Keshkal, Police Station Keshkal Kanker, District North- Bastar Kanker Chhattisgarh

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For Petitioner	: Mrs. Iturani Mukharjee, Advocate
For State-Respondents	: Mr. Aditya Bhardwaj, P.L.

Hon'ble Shri Justice Rajendra Chandra Singh Samant

Order On Board

25/11/2021

1. It is submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is recorded owner of the land bearing Kh. No.319/2 and 319/4 measuring 0.041 hectares, situated in Village – Kanker, District – North Bastar Kanker. The petitioner was using a path for approaching to her land. The same has been obstructed by the respondents No.6 & 7. The petitioner has filed an application, before the respondent No.2, 3, 4 and

5 but no action has been taken on this application. It is submitted that Section 131 of the C.G. Land Revenue Code (In short 'the Code, 1959') provides that such dispute has to be decided by the Tahsildar and the Tahsildar also has authority to exercise power granted to him under Section 132 and 133 of the Code, 1959, hence, because of the inaction of the respondent No.4, this petition has been filed praying for issuance of appropriate direction.

2. Learned State counsel representing on behalf of respondents No.1 to 4 opposes the submissions, however, he submits that the petition may be disposed off with direction.
3. Considered on the submissions and perused the documents filed along with the petition. Under Section 131 of the Code of 1959, the Tahsildar is authority, who shall resolve the dispute regarding the right of way and other private easements. He is also empowered to take action under the provision of Section 132 of the Code, 1959 for penalizing the person responsible for creating obstruction and also has power to remove the obstruction under Section 133 of the Code, 1959. Therefore, this petition is disposed off at motion stage. The respondent No.4 is directed to take action on the application/representation filed by the petitioner expeditiously and take decision on the same at the earliest preferably within a period of 60 days.
4. With these observations, this petition is disposed off.

Sd/-
(Rajendra Chandra Singh Samant)
Judge