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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPS No. 7467 of 2026

1 - Kailash Prasad Patel S/o Jagdish Prasad Patel Aged About 63 Years Retired Time Keeper, R/o House No. 270/3, Sonha Para, Ajrima, District Surajpur Chhattisgarh

2 - Smt. Lata Naulor W/o Anukumar Naulor Aged About 58 Years Retired Dak Runner, R/o House No. 17/92, Bhajpa Karyalay, Post Ambikapur, District Surguja Chhattisgarh

3 - Kundan Ram S/o Mohan Ram Aged About 58 Years Retired Dak Runner, R/o House No. 174, Bhuiya Para, Keshavpur, District Surguja Chhattisgarh

4 - Baiga Das S/o Prem Das Mahant Aged About 56 Years Retired Choukidar, R/o Village Amgasi Para, Post Lakhanpur, District Surguja Chhattisgarh

... Petitioners

versus

1 - State of Chhattisgarh Through The Secretary, Water Resource Department, Mahanadi Bhawan, Mantralaya, Nawa Raipur, District Raipur Chhattisgarh

2 - Chief Engineer Hasdev Ganga Kachhar, Water Resource Department, Ambikapur, District Surguja Chhattisgarh

3 - Executive Engineer Water Resource Division No. 01 Ambikapur, District Surguja Chhattisgarh

... Respondents

For Petitioners	:	Mr. Hemant Kesharwani, Advocate
For State/Respondent	:	Ms. Sakshi Bajpai, PL

(Hon'ble Shri Justice Bibhu Datta Guru)

Order on Board

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1. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners stood retired as Work Charged and Contingency Paid Employee are entitled for leave encashment but till date respondents have not extended the benefit of leave encashment to petitioners. Identical issue came up for hearing before this Court in case of ***Faguvaram Patel & Ors. Vs. State of C.G., in W.P.(S) No. 3870 of 2021 decided on 30.09.2022***, wherein petitioners have raised identical issue which was allowed in their favour. He submits that at this stage, petitioner may be permitted to submit representation in light of ***Faguvaram Patel (supra)*** and respondents be directed to decide the representation to be submitted by petitioner expeditiously within specified time.

2. Learned State counsel submits that as the petitioners are not pressing this petition on merits and are only seeking a direction to decide the representations to be submitted by petitioners, at this stage, she is having no objection.

3. I have heard learned counsel for parties and perused the documents available in record.

4. Taking into consideration the limited prayer made by learned counsel for petitioners, this petition is disposed of in light of ***Faguvaram Patel (Supra)*** and the petitioners are at liberty to make representation within a period fo 15 days from receipt of copy of this order. In the event, the petitioners are found to be similarly situated person, their claim shall be decided by the respondents in accordance with law expeditiously preferably within a period of three months from the date of receipt of

representation.

5. Accordingly, the petition is disposed of with aforesaid observations and directions.

6. C.C. as per rules.

SD/-
(Bibhu Datta Guru)
JUDGE

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