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**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR**

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**WPS No. 7597 of 2026**

Harish Chandra Panigrahi S/o Pankaj Nath Panigrahi Aged About 70 Years R/o 168 Rajiv Gandhi Ward 33 Parshad Gali Jagdalpur Distt. Bastar C.G.

**... Petitioner(s)**

**versus**

**1 -** State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Secretary, Public Works Department Mahanadi Bhawan Mantralaya, New Raipur, Atal Nagar District Raipur (C.G.)

**2 -** The Engineer In Chief Public Works Department, District Raipur (C.G.)

**3 -** The Chief Engineer (Adiminitration) Public Works Department, District Raipur (C.G.)

**4 -** The Chief Engineer Public Works Department, (Bh / Sa ) North Bastar Division No.1 Jagdalpur Distt. Bastar (C.G.)

**5 -** The Superintendent Engineer Public Works Department, (Bh /

Sa ) North Bastar Division No.1 Jagdalpur Distt. Bastar (C.G.)

**6 -** The Executive Engineer Public Works Department, (Bh / Sa ) North Bastar Division No.1 Jagdalpur Distt. Bastar (C.G.)

**7 -** Divisional Joint Director Treasury Account And Pension Bastar Division Jagdalpur Distt. Bastar C.G.

**... Respondent(s)**

***(Cause title taken from CIS)***

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| For Petitioner(s) | **:** | Ms. Pragya Shrivastava, Advocate |
| For Respondent(s) | **:** | Ms. Sakshi Bajpai, Panel Lawyer |

**Hon'ble Shri Bibhu Datta Guru, Judge**

**Order on Board**

**26.10.2026**

1. The limited relief that the Petitioner seeks for in the present Writ Petition is for an appropriate direction to the Respondents for considering the claim of the Petitioner for grant of leave encashment in terms of the provisions of the Chhattisgarh Work-Charged/Contingency Paid Employees Leave Rules, 1977.

2. According to the Petitioner, he has made his claim in the light of the recent decision of this High Court rendered in W.P.(S) No.3870/2021 (Faguvaram Patel & Others Vs. State of Chhattisgarh & Others) decided on 30.9.2022, wherein similar

claim of the Petitioner therein has been allowed. The said decision also stands affirmed by the Division Bench in W.A. No.119/2023, decided on 20.6.2023.

3. Given the said facts, the present Writ Petition is disposed of at this juncture, directing the Respondent Authorities to immediately process the claim of all similarly placed person in the light of the aforesaid decision of this High Court on the same subject-matter, within an outer limit of 120 days from the date of receipt of copy of this Order.

4. With aforesaid direction, the Writ Petition stands disposed of.

Sd/-
**(Bibhu Datta Guru)**

**Judge**

**Shoaib**