



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH AT NAGPUR

WRIT PETITION NO.2004/2026

Saurabh s/o Sudhakar Potraje and another Vs.

Union of India, through its Secretary, Ministry of Coal, New Delhi and others

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram,
appearances, Court's orders or directions
and Registrar's orders

Court's or Judge's orders

Shri B.W. Patil, Advocate for petitioners

CORAM : ANIL S. KILOR AND RAJ D. WAKODE, JJ.

DATE : 09.03.2026

1. Heard learned Counsel for petitioners.
2. The contention of the petitioners is that the father of the petitioners, who was in the service of the respondents, died in harness on 09.04.2012. The petitioners, being the sons of the deceased employee Shri Sudhakar Jagannath Potraje, applied for grant of compassionate appointment on the basis of the scheme adopted by W.C.L.
3. Learned Counsel for the petitioners submits that the application has not yet been decided by the respondents. Accordingly, the petitioners submitted a final representation to the respondents, W.C.L., on 17.08.2025, which is at record page No.24 (Annexure-5). In spite of such representation, respondent No.3 has neither decided the said application nor acted upon it.
4. In view of the above, we dispose of the present writ petition with a direction to respondent No.3 to decide the application submitted by the petitioners for grant of appointment on compassionate basis within a stipulated

period of eight weeks from the date of production of the order of this Court. The decision taken thereupon shall be communicated to the petitioners within a period of two weeks from the date of such decision.

5. The writ petition is disposed of.

R.S. Sahare

(RAJ D. WAKODE, J.)

(ANIL S. KILOR, J.)