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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPS No. 601 of 2026

Shri Matukdhari Singh S/o Late Shri Tulsi Singh Aged About 61 Years 10 Months, Posted As Assistant Grade- III In The Office Of Executive Engineer Water Resources Department, Division No. 2, Ramanujganj District- Balrampur - Ramanujganj (C.G.)

... Petitioner(s)

versus

1 - The State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Secretary, Water Resources Department, Mahanadi Bhawan, Naya Raipur Atal Nagar, P.O. And P.S. Naya Raipur, District- Raipur (C.G.)

2 - The Deputy Secretary Water Resources Department, Mahanadi Bhawan, Naya Raipur Atal Nagar, P.O. And P.S. Naya Raipur, District- Raipur (C.G.)

3 - The State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Secretary, General Administrative Department, Mahanadi Bhawan, Naya Raipur Atal Nagar, P.O. And P.S. Naya Raipur, District- Raipur (C.G.)

4 - The State Of Chhattisgarh Through Committee Of Senior Secretaries For Redressal Of Transfer, Mahanadi Bhawan, Naya Raipur Atal Nagar, P.O. And P.S. Naya Raipur, District- Raipur (C.G.)

5 - The Engineer In Chief Water Resources Department, Shivnath Mahanadi Bhawan, Naya Raipur Atal Nagar, P.O. And P.S. Naya Raipur, District- Raipur (C.G.)

6 - The Superintending Engineer Water Resources Department, Ramanujganj District- Balrampur - Ramanujganj (C.G.)

7 - The Executive Engineer Water Resources Department, Ramanujganj District- Balrampur - Ramanujganj (C.G.)

... Respondent(s)

Order Sheet

20/01/2026	Mr. Rahul Mishra, counsel for the petitioner. Mr. Anmol Sharma, Panel Lawyer for the State. Heard on admission. Issue notice to respondents. Mr. Anmol Sharma, Panel Lawyer accepts notice for respondents/State. Hence, PF is not required to be paid for issuance of notice to respondents. Learned counsel for the respondents-State prays for and is granted two weeks time to file reply. Also heard on IA No.1 which is an application for grant of interim relief. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that on the date of transfer of petitioner, less than one year of his service is remaining to attain the age of superannuation and retire from service. According to Clause 3.12 of the Transfer Policy 2025, officer/employee having less than one year of service remaining to retire, they are not to be transferred. After issuance of order of transfer, petitioner submitted representation raising this specific ground, however, this ground was not considered in an objective manner and representation was rejected. Petitioner is due to retire w.e.f. 31.03.2026. He also submits that petitioner is still working at the earlier place of posting and is not relieved. On due consideration of submission of learned counsel for the petitioner, purely as an interim measure, it is directed that effect and operation of impugned transfer order dated 30.06.2025 so far as it relates to petitioner shall remain stayed till the next date of hearing. List this case after two weeks. Sd/- (Parth Prateem Sahu) Judge