



**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR**

**WPS No. 801 of 2026**

**1** - Arun Kumar Bhupal S/o Shri Bedram Bhupal, Aged About 51 Years R/o Ward No.15, Jarhapara, Kharod, P.S. Sheoinarayan Tahsil Pamgarh, District- Janjgir- Champa (C.G.)

**... Petitioner(s)**

**versus**

**1** - State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Secretary, Department Of Food And Civil Supplies, Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawan, Naya Raipur, Atal Nagar, District- Raipur (C.G.)

**2** - The Managing Director C.G. State Cooperative Marketing Federation Limited 6th Floor, Tower C, Commercial Complex, C.B.D. Sector- 21, Nava Raipur, District- Raipur (C.G.)

**3** - The General Manager Marketing C.G. State Cooperative Marketing Federation Limited 6th Floor, Tower C, Commercial Complex, C.B.D. Sector- 21, Nava Raipur, District- Raipur (C.G.)

**4** - District Marketing Officer Raigarh C.G. State Cooperative Marketing Federation Limited District- Raigarh (C.G.)

**... Respondent(s)**

**Order on Board**

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| <b>23/01/2026</b> | <p>Mr. Prateek Sharma, counsel for petitioner.</p> <p>Ms. Diksha Gouraha, Dy. G.A. for State-respondents No.1.</p> <p>Mr. Arpit Parakh on behalf of Mr. Animesh Tiwari, counsel for respondents No.2 to 4</p> <p>Heard.</p> <p>Issue notice to respondents.</p> <p>Learned counsel for respondents accepts notice on behalf of respective respondents, hence, process fee is not required to be paid for issuance of notice to these respondents. They pray for and is granted three weeks time to file reply. .</p> <p>Also heard on I.A. No.1, which is an application for grant of interim relief.</p> <p>Learned counsel for petitioner submits that earlier State Government has issued a letter to respondent No.2 mentioning that notice be issued to Incharge of Paddy Purchase Center, if there is shortage in paddy in between 1% to 2% and to initiate departmental enquiry, if there is shortage between 2% to 4%, however, if shortage is more than 4%, appropriate action be taken under criminal law. He contended that letter has been issued by the State Government revising that ratio as fixed in the earlier memo and it has been reduced to 0.5% to 1%, 1% to 2% and above 2%, which is without any basis. He contended that paddy after harvesting carries moisture with it and after purchase the paddy, Incharge of Paddy Procurement Centers are forced to store the paddy in open sky under direct</p> |

sun light, therefore, loss in weight is natural phenomena.

Learned State counsel submits that he will file reply to the interim application also.

On due consideration on the submission of learned counsel for parties, purely as an interim measure it is directed that no coercive steps shall be taken against petitioner, till the next date of hearing.

List this case after four weeks.

**Sd/-**  
**(Parth Prateem Sahu)**  
Judge