



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPIL No. 12 of 2026

IN THE MATTER OF SUO MOTO PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION **versus** UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

Order Sheet

25-02-2026	<p>This is an office reference.</p> <p>Heard Mr. Shashank Thakur, learned Additional Advocate General for the State/respondents as well as Mr. R.K. Mishra, learned Deputy S.G. appearing for the Union of India.</p> <p>The matter relates to news item published in Hindi newspaper Dainik Bhaskar, Bilaspur Edition dated 25-02-2026 with heading that “हाल ए रेलवे इंफ्रा : 8 करोड़ के अंडरब्रिज से पानी का रिसाव, पैदल चलने वाले हो रहे परेशान, तारबाहर की समस्या दूर हुई तो नए में शुरु हो गई”</p> <p>“चुचुहियापारा का हाल बेहाल, अफसर बोले—संबंधित विभाग से सुधरवाया जाएगा”</p> <p>As per the news item, the railway underbridge connecting the Tarbahar to Sirgitti area has been completed, freeing motorists from problems. However, pedestrians are facing difficulties due to dirty drain water and mud. A similar situation exists at the Chuchuhiyapara underbridge. Water leakage is causing</p>

inconvenience to all commuters. Approximately Rs.8 crore has been spent on the extension of the Tarbahar underbridge. This construction has eased traffic between Tarbahar and Sirgitti, but pedestrians continue to face difficulties. A pedestrian pathway has been built on the right side of this underbridge from Tarbahar. The previous bridge had water leakage on both sides, which was later repaired.

It has been further reported in the news item that in the Tarbahar underbridge, dirty water is coming from the sidewall and there is no leakage from the roof, so the dirty water does not fall on people. However, in the Chuchuhiyapara underbridge, dirty water is leaking from the roof and the same falls on every passerby, whether on foot, by bike, or in a four-wheeler. The situation here is even worse. People have complained to the railways, but no one is paying attention.

Respondent No.5/Divisional Railway Manager, South East Central Railway, Bilaspur (C.G.) is directed to file his personal affidavit in the matter regarding the news item published, on or before the next date of hearing.

Let the matter be again listed on 11-03-2026.

Sd/-

(Ravindra Kumar Agrawal)
Judge

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(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice