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NAFR**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR****WPS No. 2478 of 2026**

Ashok Kumar S/o Raghunandan Prasad Aged About 58 Years R/o Universal Associates, Sindhiya Nagar, Flat 206/8, Distt. Durg, Chhattisgarh 491001.

... Petitioner**versus**

1 - The Union Of India Through The Secretary, Ministry Of Railway, Rail Bhavan, New Delhi. 110001.

2 - The Union Of India Through The Under Secretary, Ministry Of Personnel, Gratuity And Pensions, North Block, New Delhi. 110001.

3 - The General Manager South East Central Railway, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh 495004.

4 - The Principal Chief Personnel Officer South East Central Railway, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh 495004.

5 - The Divisional/Chief Railway Manager Drm Raipur, South East Central Railway, Chhattisgarh. 495004.

... Respondents

For Petitioner	:	Mr. Anoop Kumar T. Sharma, Advocate
For Respondents	:	None

S.B.: Hon'ble Shri Parth Prateem Sahu, Judge**Order on Board**



18.03.2026

1. Petitioner has filed this writ petition seeking following reliefs:-

‘a. Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate order or direction, directing the respondents to forthwith release the petitioner’s gratuity as per the Gratuity Act, 1972, along with interest @ 10% per annum (or whatever Hon’ble Court deems it a fit) from the date of resignation till payment.

b. Quash and set aside the impugned rejection-ORDER / withholding of Gratuity (Annexure P-6) as arbitrary and unconstitutional.

c. Award costs of the petition to the petitioner; and

d. Pass such other and further orders as this Hon’ble Court deems fit and proper in the interest of justice.”

2. The claim of petitioner towards gratuity is on the ground that petitioner was an employee of Railway Department. However, the grievances of employees service disputes against the Railway Department is to be considered by the Central Administrative Tribunal, therefore, in the opinion of this Court the present writ petition is not maintainable. Accordingly, it is **dismissed**.

3. However, reserving liberty with the petitioner to file appropriate proceedings before appropriate forum.

Certified copy as per rules.

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(Parth Prateem Sahu)
Judge

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