



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPC No. 1793 of 2026

DEMAN SAHU versus STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

Order Sheet

22.04.2026	Mr. Rakesh Kumar Thakur, Advocate for the petitioner. Mr. Anand Dadariya, Deputy Advocate General for the State/respondents No.1 and 2, on advance copy. Issue notice to the respondents. Mr. Dadariya takes notice on behalf of respondents No.1 and 2, as such no notice is required to be issued to the said respondents. Issue notice to respondents No.3 to 7 by ordinary as well as speed post. Process fee be paid as per rules. Heard on I.A. No.01, application for grant of ad-interim relief. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that respondent No.4, after passing a resolution dated 24.06.2025 for construction of shops on Gram Panchayat land, issued a declaration dated 20.08.2025 inviting applications between 01.09.2025 and 08.09.2025. However, in a
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Yogesh	subsequent meeting dated 16.09.2025, the same process was retrospectively approved, which is inherently arbitrary. It is further submitted that in the meeting dated 11.11.2025, respondent Nos. 5 to 7 were shown as selected for allotment without any transparent or reasoned selection process. Moreover, even before inviting objections from villagers on 12.11.2025, respondent Nos. 5 and 6 had already deposited the requisite amount on 07.11.2025, clearly demonstrating pre-determination and arbitrariness. Such allotment is in blatant violation of Rule 5 of the Chhattisgarh Panchayat (Sthawar Sampatti ka Antaran) Rules, 1994, which mandates disposal of Panchayat property through public auction. The approval granted by respondent No. 3 to such illegal allotment is also unsustainable in law. After hearing learned counsel for the petitioner and considering the matter in its entirety, it is observed that any allotment made shall remain subject to the final outcome of the present petition. Four weeks time is granted to the learned counsel for the respondents to file return and thereafter two weeks time is granted to the learned counsel for the petitioners to file rejoinder. List this case after service of notice to the respondents. In view of above, I.A. No.01 stands disposed of. Sd/- (Amitendra Kishore Prasad) Judge
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