

**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR****WPS No. 3239 of 2026**

**1** - Lokuram Sahu S/o Shadaram Sahu Aged About 63 Years Retired Sahayak Mechanic Posted At Office Of S.D.O. (E And M) Light Machinery Nalkoop And Gate Sub Division Rajnandgaon Water Resources Department, District Rajnandgaon (C.G.), R/o Ward No. 14 Sankra Kumhari, District Durg (C.G.)

**2** - Khemuram Bhupatra S/o Ratan Lal Bhuptra, Aged About 63 Years Retired Truck Driver Posted At Office Of S.D.O. (E And M) Light Machinery Nalkoop And Gate Sub Division Rajnandgaon Water Resources Department, District Rajnandgaon (C.G.), R/o Village Ragara, Chhuikhadan District Khairagarh Chhuikhadan Gandai (C.G.)

**3** - Horilal Prajapati S/o Mulluram Prajapati Aged About 63 Years Retired Jeep Driver Posted At Office Of S.D.O. (E And M) Light Machinery Nalkoop And Gate Sub Division Durg Water Resources Department, District Durg (C.G.), R/o H.N. 295, Kasaridih District Durg (C.G.)

**4** - Ashok Kumar Verma S/o Late Mehtarun Ran Verma Aged About 65 Years Retired Vahan Chalak Posted At Office Of Deputy Director Khanij Prashashan Durg District Durg (C.G.) R/o- Shankar Nagar Ward No. 10 Durg District Durg (C.G.)

**5** - Shyam Kumar Chandravanshi S/o Late Chaitram Chandravanshi Aged About 63 Years Retired Shramik Posted At Office Of Executive Engineer Jal Sanshadhan Sambhag Kabirdham Water Resources Department District Kabirdham (C.G.) R/o- Village Chardongri Tahsil Kawardha District Kabirdham (C.G.)

**... Petitioners****versus**

**1** - State Of Chhattisgarh Through Secretary, Department Of Water Resources Mahanadi Bhawan, Mantralaya, New Raipur District- Raipur (C.G.)



2 - Engineer In Chief Water Resources Department, Sihawa Bhawan New Raipur, District- Raipur (C.G.)

3 - Chief Engineer Mahanadi Godawari Kachhar Department Of Water Resources, Raipur District- Raipur (C.G.)

4 - Executive Engineer (E And M) Light Machinery Nalkoop And Gate Division Durg Water Resources Department, District Durg (C.G.)

5 - Executive Engineer Jal Sanshadhan Sambhag Kabirdham Water Resources Department District Kabirdham (C.G.)

6 - Joint Director Pension And Account Treasury Department, Durg Division, District Durg (C.G.)

... Respondents

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For Petitioner : Mr. F.S. Khare, Advocate

For Respondents-State : Ms. Apurva Nigam, Panel Lawyer

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

**Order on Board**

**15/04/2026**

1. Learned counsel for the petitioners submit that the petitioners who stood retired as Work Charged and Contingency Paid Employees are entitled for leave encashment but till date respondents have not extended the benefit of leave encashment to petitioners. Identical issue came up for hearing before this Court in case of **Faguvaram Patel & Ors. Vs. State of C.G., in W.P.(S) No. 3870 of 2021 decided on 30.09.2022**, wherein petitioners have raised identical issue which was allowed in their favour. He submits that at this stage, petitioners may be permitted to submit representation in light of **Faguvaram Patel** (supra) and respondents be directed to decide the representation to be submitted by petitioners expeditiously within specified time.



2. Learned State counsel submits that as petitioners is not pressing this petition on merits and are only seeking a direction to decide the representation to be submitted by petitioners, at this stage, he is having no objection.
3. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the documents available on record.
4. Taking into consideration the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioners, this petition is disposed of permitting petitioners to submit fresh representation. In the event, petitioners submit representation, their claim shall be considered and decided in accordance with law, expeditiously, preferably within a period of three months from the date of receipt of representations keeping in mind decision in case of **Faguvaram Patel (supra)**.
5. Accordingly, this petition is disposed off with aforesaid observation and direction.

C.C. as per rules.

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

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