



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPC No. 1681 of 2026

SMT. GAYATRI YADAV **versus** STATE OF CHHATTISGARH.

Order Sheet

10/04/2026	Mr. Sunil Tripathi, counsel for the petitioner. Mr. Anadi Sharma, PL for the State. Issue notice to the respondents. Learned State counsel accepts notice on behalf of respondents No. 1, 2, 5, 6 & 7/State. Therefore, issuance of notice to them is dispensed with. Issue notice to respondents No. 3, 4, 8 to 10 on payment of process fee through ordinary as well as speed post. PF and copies within seven days. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that Respondents No. 8 to 10 have commenced

construction of a Panchayat Bhawan on private land, despite the availability of adequate Government land, and that such construction is being undertaken without any lawful sanction or permission. It is contended that the land in question, bearing Khasra No. 170, is recorded in the name of one Gopal Aayam, a private individual, who is stated to be the father of Respondent No. 10, and that Respondent No. 10 is the husband of Respondent No. 8; thus, it is alleged that the respondents are attempting to treat private property as if it were Panchayat land for their personal benefit. The petitioner, being the Up-Sarpanch of the concerned Gram Panchayat, has approached this Hon'ble Court seeking appropriate directions to restrain such illegal action. It is further submitted that construction of any Panchayat building must be carried out on Government land after obtaining due sanction and approval from the competent State authorities, and even in cases where private land is proposed to be utilized, the same can only be done after following due process of law and

obtaining requisite permissions; however, in the present case, the construction is being carried out on private land without any such sanction, rendering the same wholly illegal and contrary to law. It is also submitted that an amount of Rs. 20 lakhs has been sanctioned for the construction of a new Gram Panchayat Bhawan at the head office Shankarpur, yet the construction is being undertaken on private land, and despite several complaints having been made to the concerned authorities, no action has been taken till date.

Learned counsel for the State prays for and is granted some time to seek instruction in this case.

Heard on I.A. No. 01/2026, which is an application for grant of interim relief/stay.

Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, and further taking into account that the construction is being carried out on private land in clear violation of the applicable rules and regulations of the State Government, this Court deems it appropriate to intervene at this stage; accordingly, the

further construction being raised over the land bearing Khasra No. 170, situated at Village Bhanwardiha Para, Shankarpur, is hereby stayed till the next date of hearing.

Sd/-

(Amitendra Kishore Prasad)

Judge

Raghu Jat