



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPL No. 66 of 2026

SOUTH EASTERN COALFIELDS LIMITED **versus** SHRI VICTOR

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20.04.2026	Mr. Vinod Kumar Deshmukh, Advocate for the petitioner/s. Mr. Abhishek Banjare, CGC for respondents No.2 & 3. Heard on I.A. No.1, an application for grant of stay. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that earlier an application under Section 33(C)(1) of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 (for short 'the Act of 1947') was moved for recovery before respondent No.3/Regional Labour Commissioner (Central), Bilaspur (C.G.) and it was rejected vide order dated 04.02.2020. He would further submit that said authority has entertained and passed an order in favour of the workman in a subsequent application moved under Section 33(C)(1) of the Act of 1947, which was not maintainable at all. He would pray for grant of stay. On the other hand, learned counsel appearing for respondent No.2 & 3 would oppose the submissions made by Mr. Deshmukh. Heard. Taking into consideration the fact that Respondent

No.3/Regional Labour Commissioner (Central), Bilaspur has passed an order of recovery of Rs.4,51,957/- against the petitioner herein, the effect and operation of said order shall remain stayed subject to payment of 50% of the award amount with the concerned authority within a period of 30 days from today.

Admit.

Call for record.

Issue notice to respondent No.1 on payment of P.F. as per rules.

Call this matter thereafter.

Sd/-

(Rakesh Mohan Pandey)
Judge