



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

Order Sheet

WPS No. 4177 of 2022

RAJESH KUMAR MANDLE *versus* STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

05/02/2026	Shri Akash Kumar Kundu, Advocate for the Petitioner. Shri Rajkumar Gupta, Additional A.G. and Shri Suyashdhar Badgaiyya, G.A. for the respondent /State. In compliance of the order dated 04/02/2026, Shri Vivek Acharya, Director, Directorate of Culture and Archaeology, MGM Museum, Raipur (C.G.) appeared through Video Conferencing. He submits that earlier the Culture and Archaeological Department where one Department and after year 2023, the Department has been bifurcated to Culture Department and Archaeological Department. The e-Mail dated 16th December, 2025 was received from the O/o. Advocate General and e-Mail Address was maintained by the Archaeological Department. Presently, he is working in the Cultural Department, he submits that as the petitioner is an employee of Cultural Department, as he was not working in the Archaeological Department, under the misconception, the file with regard to the present case could not



Ashish	move ahead. The instructions now has been received and within a period of two weeks, the return on behalf of respondents would be filed. List on 23rd February, 2026 enabling learned counsel for the respondents to file reply. If the reply is not filed by the respondents, respondent No. 2 to remain present again on that day through video conferencing at 02:30PM. Sd/- (Sachin Singh Rajput) Judge
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