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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPS No. 5187 of 2025

Smt. Shefali Bhardwaj **versus** State of Chhattisgarh & Ors.

Order Sheet

06/10/2025	Mr. Abhishek Pandey, Advocate appears along with Mr. Chandra Prakash Koli, Counsel for the petitioner. Mr. Kanwaljeet Singh Saini, Panel lawyer for the State/Respondent no. 1 & 2. Counsel for petitioner submits that several other petitions have been filed by other candidates on same grounds as raised in this petition. In those petitions notices have been issued and State counsel was granted four weeks time to file reply. He further submits that subject matter in this petition is also similar to other petitions and therefore, State counsel be directed to file reply in this petition also and let this petition be connected along with petition bearing WPS No. 3070 of 2025. Counsel for the petitioner also contended that in

alfiza	those writ petitions interim relief have been granted by this Court by staying the effect and operation of the charge-sheet, therefore, similar interim relief may be granted in this writ petition also. Counsel for State submits that he may be granted some time to file reply in this writ petition also and prays for four weeks time. On due consideration and submission made by counsel for petitioner which is not opposed by counsel for State, purely as an interim measure, it is directed that there shall be stay of proceedings pursuant to charge sheet dated 21.03.2025 till the next date of hearing. As prayed by counsel for State, four weeks time is granted to file reply. List this case after four weeks along with WPS No. 3070 of 2025. sd/- (Parth Prateem Sahu) **Judge**