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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR**WPC No. 2592 of 2022**

Yashwant Baghel S/o Kaliram Baghel Aged About 63 Years Elected Sarpanch Of Gram Panchayat Bhaisa, Block Simga, Tehsil Simga, District Balodabaar Bhatapara Chhattisgarh

--- Petitioner**versus**

- 1** - State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Principal Secretary Panchayat And Rural Development Department, Mahanadi Bhawan, New Raipur, District Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
- 2** - State Election Commission Through Its Secretary Nirvachan Bhawan, Sector 19, North Block, Naya Raipur Chhattisgarh.
- 3** - The District Election Officer (Panchayat), Balodabazar Bhatapara District Balodabazar Bhatapara, Chhattisgarh
- 4** - The Commissioner, Raipour Division, Raipur District Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
- 5** - The Collector, Balodabazar Bhatapara, District Balodabazar Bhatapara, Chhattisgarh.
- 6** - The Prescribed Authority Cum Sub Divisional Officer (Revenue) Simga, District Balodabazar Bhatapara, Chhattisgarh.
- 7** - The Chief Executive Officer, Janpad Panchayat Simga, Balodabazar Bhatapara, Chhattisgarh.



8 - Harish Kumar Vaishnav S/o Sohandas Vaishnav, Elected Panch, Ward No. 4, Gram Panchayat Bhaisa, Block Simga, Tehsil Simga, District Balodabazar Bhatapara, Chhattisgarh.

--- Respondent(s)

WPC No. 2654 of 2022

Shrimati Sangeeta W/o Lal Bahadur Singh, Aged About 35 Years Sarpanch, Gram Panchayat, Chirguda, Tehsil Baikunthpur, District Korea Chhattisgarh R/o Village Kochila, Tehsil Baikunthpur, District : Koriya (Baikunthpur), Chhattisgarh

---Petitioner

Versus

1 - State Of Chhattisgarh Through The Secretary, Department Of Panchayat And Rural Development, Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawan, Atal Nagar, Raipur, District : Raipur, Chhattisgarh

2 - Commissioner, Surguja Division, Ambikapur, District : Surguja (Ambikapur), Chhattisgarh

3 - District Returning Officer (Panchayat)/ Collector, Korea, Baikunthpur, District : Koriya (Baikunthpur), Chhattisgarh

4 - Sub Divisional Officer (Revenue), Tehsil Baikunthpur, District : Koriya (Baikunthpur), Chhattisgarh

5 - Tehsildar/ Returning Officer (Panchayat)/ Baikunthpur, District : Koriya (Baikunthpur), Chhattisgarh

--- Respondent(s)

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For Respondent No. 1, 4, 5 and 6 : Mr. Shobhit Mishra, Dy. Govt. Adv.

For Respondent No. 8 in WPC No. 2592/2022 : Mr. Vikas Pandey, Advocate



(Hon'ble Mr. Naresh Kumar Chandravanshi, J)

Order on Board

19/01/2026

1. Since both these writ petitions (civil) involve similar issue, therefore, they are being disposed of by this common order. For the sake of convenience, WPC No. 2592/2022 is being treated as leading case.
2. The petitioners have preferred these writ petitions seeking following reliefs :-

10.1 The Hon'ble Court may graciously be pleased to quash the election programme dated 3-6-2022 (Annexure P/1) issued by the District Election Officer (Panchayat) pertaining to Gram Panchayat Bhaisa, Janpad Panchayat Simga, Balodabazar-Bhatapara in the ends of justice.

10.2 Any other relief which this Hon'ble Court deems fit and proper be awarded in favour of the petitioner.

3. At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that term of Sarpanch has already over, therefore, these petitions have become infructuous.
4. Above submission is not opposed by the respondents' counsel.
5. In view of above, these writ petitions are dismissed having become infructuous.
6. Pending interlocutory application(s), if any, also stands disposed of.

Sd/-

(Naresh Kumar Chandravanshi)

JUDGE