



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPPIL No. 127 of 2021

In Re. Roads Of Chhattisgarh

Versus

State Of Chhattisgarh & Others

alongwith

WPPIL/83/2023 and WPPIL/26/2022

Order Sheet

05/08/2025	Heard Shri A.S. Kachhawaha, Shri Prateek Sharma, learned Amicus Curiae, Shri Rajeev Shrivatava, learned Senior Advocate. Also heard Shri Mr. Prafull. N. Bharat, learned Advocate General along with Mr. Y.S. Thakur, Additional Advocate General, Shri Ramakant Mishra, learned DSGI assisted by Shri Tushar Dhar Diwan, learned CGC, appearing for Union of India in WPPIL No. 127/2021 and WPPIL No. 83/2023 and for Respondent No. 10 (Railways) in WPPIL No. 26/2022, Shri Dheeraj Kumar Wankhede, learned counsel for the NHAI, Shri Rakshit Tiwari and Ms. Preeti Yadav, Advocates on behalf of Shri Pankaj Agrawal for

	Respondent no. 7 & 12 in WPPIL No. 26/2022, Shri Varun Sharma, learned counsel for the respondent no. 6 & 11 in WPPIL No. 26/2022 and Shri Krishna Tandon, learned counsel appearing for the respondent No. 6 in WPPIL No. 127/2021, Shri Sandeep Dubey, learned counsel for the respondent No. 7 and 8 in WPPIL No. 127/2021. Yesterday, i.e. on 04.08.2025, this Court had directed the Project Director as well as the Project Manager, NHAI, Project Implementation Unit, Bilaspur, to remain present in person. In compliance of the aforesaid order, Mr. Pradeep Lal, Regional Officer, NHAI, Raipur, Mr. D.D.Parlawar, Project Director (In-Charge) Project Implementation Unit, Bilaspur and Mr. Dinesh Chandra Shahi, Project Manager, National Highway Infra Trust NHIT), Southern Projects Pvt. Ltd. New Delhi, are present in person. A specific query was made to the aforesaid officers as to whether they have travelled on NH-130 connecting Raipur to Bilaspur, upon which it is submitted that they have travelled on the said road and fairly admit that the condition of the road is not so good for which the repair works are going on. The Court has also drawn attention of the aforesaid authorities to the fact that necessary signage are also missing from the National Highway and the said Highway does not appear
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to have been constructed strictly adhering to the norms of a National Highway under the National Highways Act.

A further query was made as to what would be the time required for completion of the repairs/patch work, Mr. Pradeep Lal, Regional Officer, submits that it may take quite some time as there are lot of works to be done. However, Mr. Lal assures this Court that he would make all his endeavour to improve the condition of the road as soon as possible and he alongwith his team are doing all the best possible they could.

Mr. Lal further assures this Court that he, alongwith his team would look into all the aspects of the matter and ensure that the NH-130 does not lack any specification which is required for a National Highway the said Highway would be repaired strictly adhering to the required norms.

When the attention of the learned Advocate General appearing for the State is drawn to the NH-130 connecting Pendridih to Nehru Chowk, Bilaspur, in which numerous cracks have appeared which is dangerous for the commuters, Mr. Bharat submits that the said road falls within the municipal area of Bilaspur, and would be repaired by the Public Works Department.

In view of the submissions made by the authorities of the NHAI as well as the learned Advocate General, let these matters be listed again on **25th August, 2025** by which date, the Regional

Officer, NHAI, Raipur as well as the Secretary, Public Works Department, Government of Chhattisgarh, shall file their respective affidavits indicating the updated status of the NH-130 connecting Raipur to Bilaspur as well as Pendridih to Nehru Chowk.

The presence of Regional Officer, the Project Director, NHAI as well as the Project Manager, NHIT, are dispensed with, unless otherwise directed by this Court.

Sd/-
(Bibhu Datta Guru)
JUDGE

Sd/-
(Ramesh Sinha)
CHIEF JUSTICE