



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPPIL No. 62 of 2025

IN THE MATTER OF SUO MOTO PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION **versus** STATE
OF CHHATTISGARH AND OTHERS

Order Sheet

20/01/2026	This is office reference. Mr. Shashank Thakur, learned Deputy Advocate General for the State. In compliance of the Court's order dated 09/12/2025 the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Chhattisgarh has filed an affidavit dated 06/01/2026, the relevant portion of the said affidavit are as under:- "5. That, the deponent, having the highest regards and great respect for the lawful authority of this Hon'ble Court and its orders and directions issued from time to time, most humbly and respectfully submits that a proposal for construction of a large / high-level bridge at L/036 Temnapani Khamhapara to Kanamgaon Khamharapa (RD 2100 m, length 34.62 m) under Special Project head in District Kanker (CG.) was

	made to the Central Government (LWE Division), Ministry of Home Affairs on 12/09/2025 and when no action on the said proposal was taken by the Central Government, reminder letter dated 10/11/2025 has been sent to the Central Government (LWE Division), Ministry of Home Affairs on 10/11/2025 with a request to accord its approval / sanction on the proposal being sent by the State Government on 12/09/2025. 6. That, the deponent respectfully submits that as per the information supplied by the officials of the concerned Department, the proposal dated 12/09/2025 and the reminder dated 10/11/2025 sent by the State Government are still under consideration before the Central Government (LWE Division), Ministry of Home Affairs and looking to the need of construction of the said bridge, referring to the efforts being made by the State Technical Team constituted for providing assistance to the IFD Cell, MHA in clearing the technical queries raised by the IFD Cell, by writing further reminder dated 19/12/2025, the State Government has again made a request to the Under Secretary, LWE Division, Government of India, Ministry of Home, New Delhi to accord its approval / sanction under special project head on the proposal being sent by the State Government
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on 12/09/2025 so that further action with respect to the construction of the said bridge could be taken by the State Government. To demonstrate this fact, copy of the reminder letter dated 19/12/2025 is being filed herewith as **Annexure A/14**.

7. That, with respect to the construction of high level bridge over the Mandher Naala proposing the height of bridge to be 106.60 meters from 101.110 meters, the deponent respectfully submits that pursuant to the revised administrative sanction accorded by the State Government, the Notice Inviting Tender (NIT in short) has been floated on 17/12/2025 Inviting bids / offers from the interested bidders/contractors/firms for construction of high level bridge including approach road across Mandher Naala on Barsoor - Lohandiguda - Jagdalpur Road in KM 36/6 and prescribing the probable amount of contract to be Rs. 1098.39 lacs. In the NIT floated, the last date for submission of bid is fixed on 09/01/2026 till 17.00 PM. To demonstrate this fact, copy of the NIT dated 17/12/2025 is being filed herewith as **Annexure A/15**.

8. It is respectfully submitted that the State Government is continuously perusing the matter with the Department of Home, Government of India and as soon as the administrative approval for

construction of the said Bridge is received, the work of the same would be expedited.”

It is stated that a proposal for construction of a large / high level bridge at L/036 Temnapani Khamhapara to Kanamgaon Khamharapa (RD 2100 m, length 34.62 m) under Special Project head in District Kanker (CG.) communication has been made to the Central Government (LWE Division), Ministry of Home Affairs on 12/09/2025 and further reminder has been made on 10/11/2025 and 19/12/2025, but no response has been made by the authority concerned.

The Central Government (LWE Division), Ministry of Home Affairs be made a party during course of the day and Mr. Ramakant Mishra, learned Deputy S.G. is directed ensure that the communication made by the State to the newly added respondent shall be responded at the earliest so that necessary steps would be taken by the State.

Let the matter be again listed on **18/02/2026**.

The competent authority of respondent the Central Government (LWE Division), Ministry of Home Affairs shall file affidavit on or before the next date of hearing.

Learned counsel for the State is directed to supply copy of the affidavit filed by the Chief Secretary along with the communication for seeking necessary instruction from the competent authority who shall file

the affidavit.

Name of Mr. Ramakant Mishra, Deputy S.G. be published in the cause list in the respondent side.

Sd/-

(Ravindra Kumar Agrawal)
Judge

Sd/-

(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice