



HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WPS No. 7458 of 2022

SMT. MADHURI DEVI JANGDE *versus* STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

Order Sheet

20.11.2025	Mr. Ajay Kumar Chandra, learned counsel for the petitioner/s. Ms. Shailja Shukla, Dy. G.A. for the respondents/State. Ms. Prem Lata Yadav, Divisional Forest Officer, District Korba/Respondent No. 2 and Mr. Ashish Khairwar, Sub Divisional Forest Officer Korba (North) District Korba/respondent No. 3 are present in person in compliance of the order dated 07.11.2025. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the husband of the petitioner died on account of being crushed by an elephant, and he was working on a contract basis in the District Hospital, Korba. He further submits that after the death of her husband, the respondent officials gave a written assurance, as reflected in Annexure P/3, that the petitioner would be provided employment. It is submitted that the petitioner was thereafter engaged as a daily-wage worker by the respondents from 31.03.2018 to 22.03.2019, but she was suddenly removed from service. He further submits that the petitioner was



	assured that she would be taken back as a daily-wage worker, and therefore no complaint was made by her at the relevant time. Respondent Nos. 2 and 3, appearing in person, submit that the undertaking was given under duress as a large number of villagers had gathered at the place of the incident, and therefore, considering the situation, such an undertaking was issued by the respondent officials. They further submit that the petitioner was engaged as a daily-wage worker, and it appears that she might have left the job on her own. Be that as it may, the petitioner may make representation to respondent No. 2 within a period of 15 days from the date of receipt of copy of this order for considering her case for re-engagement with the respondents. The decision on this shall be taken by the respondent No. 2/competent authority within a further period of 30 days from the date of receipt of such representation. List this case in the week commencing 19th January, 2026. Sd/- (Sachin Singh Rajput) Judge
H.Ansari	