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**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR**

**WPS No. 7783 of 2022**

\* - Mithilesh Kumar Pandey S/o Late Vishnudev Pandey Aged About 62 Years Presently Posted As- Assistant Grade- II (Senior Account Clerk), R/o Ward No. 32, Shitla Ward, Police Station- Ambikapur, District : Surguja (Ambikapur), Chhattisgarh

... **Petitioner**

**Versus**

**1** - State Of Chhattisgarh Through Secretary, Water Resource Department, Mantralya, Mahanadi Bhawan, Naya Raipur, District : Raipur, Chhattisgarh

**2** - Engineer In Chief Water Resource Department, Naya Raipur, District : Raipur, Chhattisgarh

**3** - Chief Engineer Hasdeo-Ganga- Kachhar, Water Resource Department, Ambikapur, District : Surguja (Ambikapur), Chhattisgarh

**4** - Superintending Engineer Shyam Barnai Project Division, Ambikapur, District : Surguja (Ambikapur), Chhattisgarh

**5** - Executive Engineer Water Resource Division No. 2 Ramanujganj, District : Balrampur, Chhattisgarh

**6** - Executive Engineer Water Resource Division, Jashpurnagar, District : Jashpur, Chhattisgarh

... **Respondents**

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For Petitioner : Mr. Kishore Narayan, Advocate

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For Respondents : Mr. Abhyuday Tripathi, Panel Lawyer

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**Hon'ble Shri Justice Rakesh Mohan Pandey**

**Order on Board**

**15/06/2026**

1. The petitioner has filed this petition seeking the following relief(s):-



“**10.1** That, the Hon’ble Court may kindly be pleased to issue a writ of mandamus setting aside the impugned suspension order dated 24.09.2022 (**Annexure P/1**), in the interest of justice.

**10.2** That, the Hon’ble Court may kindly be pleased to issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to pay arrear of payment accrued during suspension period or any other consequential benefits, in the interest of justice.

**10.3** Any other relief which this Hon’ble Court may deem and proper in the present circumstances of the case.”

2. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that this petition has been preferred against the order of suspension passed by the respondent No. 3 dated 24.09.2022, but during pendency of writ petition, the petitioner has attained the age of superannuation. He would submit that the departmental enquiry is still pending before the respondent authorities, therefore, a direction may be issued to conclude it expeditiously.
3. On the other hand, learned Panel Lawyer appearing for the State/respondents would oppose.
4. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
5. Taking into consideration the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner, this petition is disposed with a direction to the respondent authorities to conclude the departmental proceedings pending against the petitioner expeditiously preferably within a period of 06 months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.
6. With the aforesaid direction(s), this petition is **disposed of**.

Sd/-

**(Rakesh Mohan Pandey)**  
**Judge**