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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR**WPPIL No. 81 of 2025**

In the matter of Suo Moto Public Interest Litigation

Versus

State of Chhattisgarh & Others

Order Sheet

14/07/2026	This is an office reference. Heard Mr. Praveen Das, learned Additional Advocate General, appearing for the State. Also heard Mr. Pranjal Agrawal, learned counsel, appearing for respondent No.4 as well as Mr. Pankaj Agrawal, learned counsel, appearing for respondent No.7. In compliance of the Court's order dated 20.04.2026, an affidavit has been filed by the Managing Director of the Police Housing Corporation. Relevant portion of the said affidavit reads as under :-

“5. That, various bids for maintenance works of 14 different locations were invited in February, 2026 with the opening date fixed in March, 2026. Out of the said bids, work order for 12 work orders have already been issued, 01 work has been re-tendered which is to be opened on 02.07.2026 and one another is being tendered shortly.

6. That, similarly, bids for construction of quarters at 15 locations as per sanction of the Financial Year 2024-25 were invited in February, 2026 with the opening date in March, 2026. Out of which work order of 2 works have been issued and the remaining are re-tendered and scheduled to be opened on 02.07.2026.

7. That, further, bids for construction of quarters (49 in number) for the Financial Year 2025-26 were invited in March, 2026 with the opening date in April, 2026. Out of those 49 works sanction, for 32 were within the jurisdiction of CMD for which acceptance letter of 12 projects have been issued 07 works have been retendered as only one party qualified the NIT requirements. As per the directions of the State Government if single party qualifies then the financial bid

should not be opened and NIT has to be issued again. 01 of the project has been retendered due to high rate. 04 bids have been retendered as single bid received in first call 05 bids have been retendered due to no bid received and remaining 03 bids are under scrutiny.

8. That, the remaining 17 projects which were more than 7.5 crores falls under the jurisdiction of the Board of Directors, out of which price bid of 02 projects have been put up in and BOD has approved one bid and has decided to retender the other bid due to higher rates quoted by the bidder. 03 bids which are under the jurisdiction of Board of Directors are under scrutiny and remaining have been retendered which are about to be opened on 02.07.2026. 04 bids are retendered as only single party qualified. In 04 bids no party participated, similarly 03 bids Single party participated Accordingly they have been retendered. The tender which has been rejected is about to be retendered shortly. The details project wise status is being filed as Annexure R4/16.

9. That, it is further submitted that 01 maintenance works, housing works

pertaining to the budgetary year 2024-25, and tenders for the budgetary year 2025-26 are issued for re-tender and the opening date of which is 02.07.2026. The deponent further submits that the process of finalization of the NITs is at an advanced stage. Any remaining formalities are being expeditiously completed, and all efforts are being made to ensure that the NITs are finalized and issued at the earliest possible time in accordance with law and the directions of this Hon'ble Court."

From perusal of the aforequoted affidavit, it transpires that although tenders for maintenance works and construction of quarters pertaining to the financial years 2024–25 and 2025–26 had been invited between February and March 2026, only a limited number of work orders had been issued, while a substantial number of projects remained pending on account of repeated re-tendering. The respondent has stated that, out of the maintenance works at 14 locations, work orders had been issued for 12 works, with one work re-tendered and another yet to be tendered. Similarly, in

	respect of construction of quarters at 15 locations under the financial year 2024–25, work orders had been issued for only two projects, while the remaining projects were re-tendered. As regards the 49 housing projects under the financial year 2025–26, the respondents explained that, of the 32 projects within the jurisdiction of the CMD, acceptance letters had been issued for only 12 projects, whereas the remaining projects had either been re-tendered due to a single qualified bidder, a single bid, no bids, or high quoted rates, or were under scrutiny. Likewise, of the remaining 17 projects falling within the jurisdiction of the Board of Directors, only one bid had been approved, while the others were under scrutiny or had been re-tendered for similar reasons. The respondent further stated that the balance maintenance and housing works had been re-tendered with the opening date fixed as 02.07.2026 or were at an advanced stage of finalization, and assured the this Court that all remaining formalities were being completed
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expeditiously so that the NITs could be finalized and issued at the earliest in accordance with law and the directions of the Court.

The Director General of Police, Government of Chhattisgarh is directed to file his personal affidavit with respect to the current status of the NITs in question.

List this matter again on **5th of August, 2026**.

Sd/-
(Ravindra Kumar Agrawal)
Judge

Sd/-
(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice