

**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR****WPIL No. 95 of 2024**

In the matter of Suo Moto Public Interest Litigation
(Tobacco products continue to be sold freely despite
implementation of COPTA)

Versus

State of Chhattisgarh & Others

Order Sheet

14/11/2025	<p>This is an office reference.</p> <p>Heard Mr. Prafull N. Bharat, learned Advocate General along with Mr. Sangharsh Pandey, learned Government Advocate, appearing for the State/respondents. Also heard Ranbir Singh Marhas, learned counsel for Commissioner Municipal Corporation, Bilaspur / respondent No.10.</p> <p>Today, the matter is listed for further monitoring.</p> <p>It has been stated by learned counsel, appearing for the respective parties that regular action is taken for</p>

proper implementation of COPTA and no new incident regarding selling of tobacco products i.e. cigarettes and gutkha openly around the area in question has been noticed.

Considering the issue involved in the present case, we further wish to monitor the situation. Hence, let be listed again listed for further monitoring on the issue on 09th of January, 2026.

Sd/-
(Bibhu Datta Guru)
Judge

Sd/-
(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice