



## HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

### WPPIL No. 21 of 2025

In The Matter Of Suo Moto Public Interest Litigation Based on News Item Published In Dainik Bhaskar News App Dated 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 And Dainik Bhaskar Raipur On 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025 Namely “रायपुर में बीच सड़क पर बर्थडे सेलिब्रेशन.....VIDEO : शॉपिंग मार्ट के मालिक ने बेटे से कटवाया केक, कारों को खड़ी कर जमकर की आतिशबाजी, लगा जाम”

**... Petitioner(s)**

**versus**

- 1 - State Of Chhattisgarh Through Chief Secretary Mahanadi Bhawan, Atal Nagar Nawa Raipur, Chhattisgarh
- 2 - Director General Of Police C.G. Mahanadi Bhawan, Atal Nagar Nawa Raipur, Chhattisgarh
- 3 - Collector Raipur, District : Raipur, Chhattisgarh
- 4 - Superintendent Of Police Raipur, District : Raipur, Chhattisgarh
- 5 - Station House Officer D.D. Nagar Raipur, District : Raipur, Chhattisgarh

**... Respondent(s)**

### Order Sheet

<b>03/02/2025</b>	<p>This is an office reference.</p> <p>This suo moto public interest litigation petition has been</p>

registered on the basis of a news reported in Dainik Bhaskar News App dated 29.01.2025 with a heading “रायपुर में बीच सडक पर बर्थडे सेलिब्रेशन.....शॉपिंग मार्ट के मालिक ने बेटे से कटवाया केक, कारों को खडी कर जमकर की आतिशबाजी, लगा जाम” and also news published in Dainik Bhaskar, Raipur Front Page, dated 30.01.2025 with a heading “आधी रात बीच सडक कार रोक बर्थडे मनाया, लगता रहा जाम”.

Heard Mr. Yashwant Singh Thakur, learned Additional Advocate General for the State/respondents.

The aforesaid news report states that a video of birthday celebration by parking the car in the middle of the road near Raipura Chowk is going viral in the social media. It can be seen in the video that the car was parked in the middle of the road and 5 cakes were placed on its bonnet. After cutting the cake, celebration by fireworks was done. During these activities, a long queue of vehicles was formed on the road. After the video went viral, the police have started investigation. The car number has been taken out from the video. On that basis, the car owner is being searched. The video is stated to be of near Raipura Bridge. Here, the road was blocked by parking two cars in the middle of the road. After that the birthday was celebrated. It has been further reported that the boy whose birthday was celebrated, is the son of a businessman. He has his own supermarket. The businessman was

also present during the celebration. They created a disturbance and annoyance to the public at large in the joy of celebrating the birthday. While the people in the car behind kept blowing the horns, it was ignored.

It is very shocking to note that in the Capital city of the State, such an incident has happened and the police authorities, especially involved in traffic management, seems to be so irresponsible and helpless that they could not even ask those persons to clear the road when they were celebrating the birthday by blocking the entire road for other commuters.

Roads are public property and not person property and that has been used by the delinquents as if they owned the said place. It is beyond understanding as to what prevented the police authorities to take immediate and stringent action against those delinquents. The trend of celebrating birthdays in the middle of the road has become a fashion now a days and just for fun and getting views on various social media platforms, the roads are being used and misused by hooligans and antisocial elements which in turn is creating a dangerous situation for the commuters and can lead to any bigger mishap. There could have been a situation when any Ambulance carrying any patient had go cross that place and because of the blockade being created by the delinquents celebrating birthday, the patient could have died on the road

because of nuisance being created by them.

When a query was being made by the Court to the learned Additional Advocate General as to what action has been taken by the responsible authorities of the District Administration with respect to the above issue, Mr. Thakur submits that fine amount of Rs. 300/- has been imposed on Roshan Kumar Pandey, the owner of Car bearing Registration No. CG-04-PD-8944 for the offence under Section 122 of the Motor Vehicles Act. He further submits that he would seek further instructions in the matter.

The aforesaid conduct of the authorities of the State especially the police personnel appears to be highly objectionable and is deprecated. It seems that police shows its might and the rule of law is made applicable only upon the poor people and helpless people, but when the offender is a rich person, rules and regulations are given a go-bye. Imposing fine of Rs. 300/- for blocking a busy road and that too without any permission or authority, is nothing but an eyewash. It is mockery of law and order. Neither the vehicle has been seized nor any strict action has been taken against the offenders and such conduct of the authorities of the State will act as a morale booster for such people. The fireworks done during celebration of the birthday could have caused any mishap in the area and any person could have got injured. Instead of stopping such nuisance outrightly, a fine of Rs. 300/- has been imposed.

In view of the above facts situation of the case, we deem it appropriate to direct the Chief Secretary, Government of Chhattisgarh to file his personal affidavit with respect to the above news report. He shall inform this Court as to what action has been taken against the delinquents and what action is being proposed to be taken. The Chief Secretary shall also indicate as to what preventive actions the State proposes to take to stop such kind of nuisance on the roads, in future.

Let the matter be listed on **06.02.2025**.

Sd/-  
(Ravindra Kumar Agrawal)  
**JUDGE**

Sd/-  
(Ramesh Sinha)  
**CHIEF JUSTICE**

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