



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No. 1146 OF 2026

Khageswar Punji and another* *Petitioners

Mr.Bijaya Kumar Behera-1, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and others* *Opp. Parties

Mr.Swayambhu Mishra, ASC

CORAM:

JUSTICE K.R. MOHAPATRA

JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR MISHRA

ORDER

Order No.

20.01.2026

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Mr. B.K. Behera-1, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the application filed by the petitioners under section 28-A of the Land Acquisition Act, 1984 (for brevity, the 'Act') was allowed vide order dated 25.09.2025 (Annexure-3). Although the matter is placed before the Director, Water Resources Department, Government of Odisha for sanction, but as yet, the order of sanction has not been received by the Special Land Acquisition Officer, Lower Indra Irrigation Project, Khariar.
3. Mr. Mishra, learned Addl. Standing Counsel prays for an adjournment to take instruction on the status of the sanction to be granted by the Government in Water Resources Department.
4. Put up this matter on 25th February, 2026.
4. Instruction, if any, be obtained by that date positively.

(K.R. Mohapatra)
Judge