



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**

**CONTC No.362 of 2026**

**Sagarika Parida**

....

**Petitioner**

*Ms. P. Mohanty, Advocate*

*-versus-*

**Y.B. Khurania, the D.G. of  
Police, Odisha, Cuttack**

....

**Opposite Party/  
Contemnor**

*Mr. Manmaya Kumar Dash,  
Additional Standing Counsel*

**CORAM: JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR MISHRA**

**ORDER**

**09.04.2026**

**Order No.**

**03.**

This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.

**2.** Though, vide order dated 20.02.2026, four weeks' time was granted to the learned State Counsel to take instruction and file Compliance/Show Cause Affidavit, instead of doing so, Mr. Dash, learned ASC files photocopy of the instruction imparted by the Superintendent of Police, State Police Hdqrs., Odisha, Cuttack to the Office of the learned Advocate General, Odisha, Cuttack vide letter dated 04.04.2026, wherefrom it is revealed that W.A. No.357 of 2026 is sub-judice before this Court. The said instruction filed by the learned State Counsel in the Court is taken on record.

**3.** Mr. Dash, learned ASC prays for further four weeks' time either to obtain appropriate order in W.A. No.357 of 2026 or to file the Compliance Affidavit.



4. Learned Counsel for the Petitioner vehemently opposes to such prayer for further time on the ground that mere pendency of the Writ Appeal, in absence of any interim order of stay, cannot be a ground to stall the contempt proceeding.

5. However, this Court is inclined to grant further four weeks' time to the learned State Counsel either to obtain appropriate order in W.A. No.357 of 2026 or to file the Compliance Affidavit, as prayed for.

6. The matter be listed on 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2026.

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**(S.K. MISHRA)**  
**JUDGE**