

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

**W.P.(C) No. 2140 of 2020**

**Registrar (Judicial), Orissa High Court** .... **Petitioner**

Er. (Mr.) N. K. Mohanty(Amicus Curiae)  
-versus-

**State of Odisha and Others** .... **Opposite parties**  
Mr. M. S.Sahoo, AGA  
Mr. P.K.Bhuyan, Advocate(O.P. Nos.3 & 4)  
Mr. D. Nayak, Advocate (O.P.2)

**CORAM:  
THE CHIEF JUSTICE  
JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO**

**ORDER**  
**04.06.2021**

**Order No.**

17.

1. The matter is taken up by video conferencing mode, in the Vacation Court.

***Repair of roads***

2. Mr. Majhi, the Executive Engineer of the R & B Department appears today through virtual mode. He states that he has not received the copies of the orders passed by this Court or the reports of the Committee of Advocates (CoA).

3. Mr. M. S. Sahoo is directed to provide Mr. Majhi forthwith copies of the orders passed by the Court from 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 onwards along with copies of the reports of the CoA submitted thus far to this Court.

4. Mr. Majhi is directed to draw up a schedule of road repair works as indicated in the reports of the CoA, keeping in view the impending onset of the monsoon. Mr. Majhi will inform two members of the CoA as and when the repairs are completed on a set of roads periodic basis every three days from today onwards. In other words, Mr. Majhi will contact two of the advocates of the CoA (whose mobile numbers shall be provided to him by Mr. Sahoo today itself) on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 10<sup>th</sup> June, 14<sup>th</sup> June and 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and inform them of the roads that have been repaired so that they can inspect and report to the Court on the next date as regards the satisfactory completion of such repair.

5. The affidavit stated to have been filed by the CMC be brought on record.

***Box Drain***

6. As regards the Box Drain, Mr. N. K. Mohanty, learned Amicus Curiae informs the Court that the proposal has been cleared by JICA and matter is now pending with the State Cabinet for its approval.

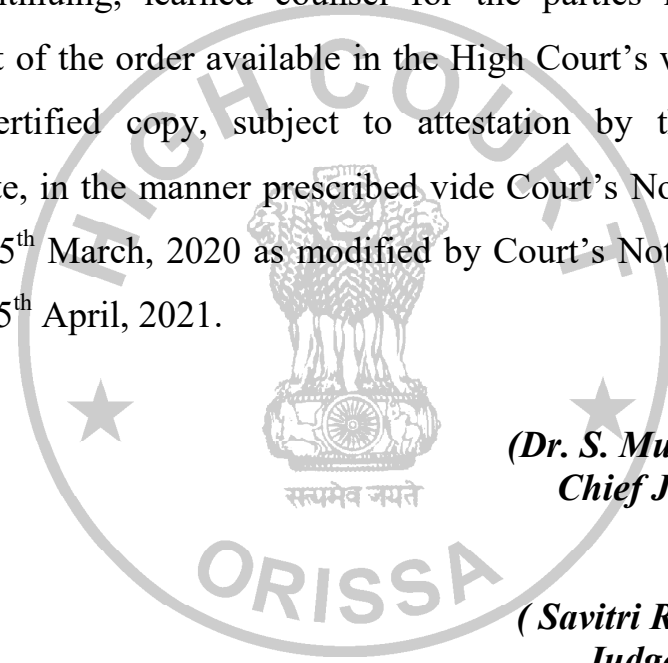
7. Mr. Sahoo, learned AGA informs the Court that the Cabinet approval will most probably be accorded within two weeks and further that mere pendency of any writ petition in this Court will not come in the way of a decision being taken by the Cabinet.

8. The Court is informed by Mr. Mohanty that even if the approval of the Cabinet is received, the actual work of construction of the box drain cannot commence till the end of the

monsoons i.e. till September, 2021. In that view of the matter, the Commissioner, CMC is directed to appraise the Court on the next date, the steps that have been put in place to meet the challenges posed by likely floods in Cuttack city during the impending monsoon.

9. List on 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2021.

10. As the restrictions due to resurgence of COVID-19 situation are continuing, learned counsel for the parties may utilize a printout of the order available in the High Court's website, at par with certified copy, subject to attestation by the concerned advocate, in the manner prescribed vide Court's Notice No.4587, dated 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 as modified by Court's Notice No. 4798, dated 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.



**(Dr. S. Muralidhar)**  
**Chief Justice**

**( Savitri Ratho )**  
**Judge**

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