



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
W.P.(C) No.2794 of 2025

Rabindranath Majhi & Ors. *Petitioners*
Represented By Adv.
Mr. Bijaya Kumar Sahoo
-versus-
The Collector, Nayagarh & Anr. *Opposite Parties*
Represented By ASC
Mr. Sonak Mishra

CORAM:
DR. JUSTICE S.K. PANIGRAHI

ORDER
27.03.2025

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1. This matter is taken up through hybrid arrangement.
 2. Pursuant to this Court's order dated 13.03.2025, the Collector, Nayagarh and the C.D.P.O., Odagaon are present before this Court through Virtual Mode.
 3. The Petitioners have filed this Writ Petition seeking a direction from this Court to the Opposite Party No.2 to declare the main village Kadalibandha as Anganwadi Center by merging the Ragadi Nuasahi Mini Anganwadi Centre with Kadalibandha Revenue village in the district of Nayagarh.
 4. Heard learned counsels for the Parties.



5. Learned counsel for the Petitioners submits that the villagers of the Kadalibandha including the Petitioners had complained before the then C.D.P.O., Odagaon and requested to declare the Kadalibandha as Anganwadi Centre instead of Ragadi Nuasahi because Ragadi Nuasahi is a Sahi and the Ragadi Nuasahi Mini Anganwadi Centre is confined only to the inhabitants of that Ragadi Nuasahi which is coming under the Kadalibandha revenue village. But, the children of main village Kadalibandha are going to the Akhupadar Anganwadi Centre which is near about 2 K.M. away from the Kadalibandha Village for which the inhabitants of Kadalibandha village are facing many difficulties and financial burden to cover such a long distance. Because of the complain made by the villagers of the Kadalibandha, the Ragadi Nuasahi Mini Anganwadi Centre is not functioning since then.

6. He further submits that the villagers of the Kadalibandha revenue village time and again requested the Opposite Party No.2 to declare the main village Kadalibandha as Anganwadi Centre by merging Ragadi Nuasahi Mini Anganwadi Centre with Kadalibandha village, but, the Opposite Party No.2 paid deaf ear to the



complain made by the Petitioners. Being harassed by the Opposite Party No.2, the villagers of Kadalibandha including the Petitioners submitted the representation before the Opposite Party No.1 on 21.10.2024 requesting him to take steps to declare the Kadalibandha revenue village as Anganwadi Centre by merging the Ragadi Nuasahi Mini Anganwadi Centre with Kadalibandha revenue village which is pending before him for consideration. After receiving the representation, the Opposite Parties instead of taking steps to declare the Kadalibandha revenue village as Anganwadi Centre, the Opposite Party No.2 vide letter No.1214 dated 24.12.2024 issued advertisement for appointment of Anganwadi Worker of Ragadi Nuasahi Mini Anganwadi Centre. Hence, the Petitioners are constrained to approach this Court.

7. Considering the facts and submissions made, the Petitioners are directed to approach the Collector, Nayagarh/Opposite Party No.1 by way of representation within a period of one week from the date of presentation of a certified copy of this order. The Collector, Nayagarh/Opposite Party No.1 shall dispose



of the representation to be filed by the present Petitioners within a period of fifteen days thereafter.

8. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is disposed of.

9. The personal appearance of the Collector, Nayagarh and the C.D.P.O., Odagaon is dispensed with.

(Dr. S.K. Panigrahi)
Judge

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