



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CRLMP No.191 of 2026

Kulaprava Suar

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Petitioner

Mr. A.K. Tripathy, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and others

....

Opposite Parties

*Mr. Raj Bhusan Dash,
Additional Standing Counsel*

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MISS JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO

ORDER

25.02.2026

Order No.

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(Through hybrid mode)

1. The Petitioner had earlier filed CRLMP No.556 of 2025 which had been disposed of on 09.05.2025 directing as follows:

“In view of the aforesaid prayer as made by learned counsel for the Petitioner, since an FIR has already been registered in Bonth P.S. Case No.193 of 2024, the present CRLMP stands disposed of with a direction to the concerned I.O. to proceed with the investigation in Bonth P.S. Case No.193 of 2024 in a free, fair and transparent manner for reaching its logical end as expeditiously as possible and to see further that the publication/sharing of vulgar/filthy news clipping in the name of the petitioner be stopped.”



2. It appears that in spite of the direction of this Court for completing the investigation as expeditiously as possible investigation is still pending.

3. Mr. R.B. Dash, learned Additional Standing Counsel produces the instructions dated 20.02.2026 of the IIC Bonth Police Station, Dist. Bhadrak. He further submits that the IIC has joined recently and has informed that he will take steps for completing the investigation expeditiously within a period of two months.

4. Perusal of the instructions reveal that there has been non-cooperation of one Barada Prasanna Satpathy, Editor of "Bajrakila" weekly to submit information regarding the publications dated 2nd - 8th July, 2024 and 29th October - 4th November, 2024 and that requisition has been sent to the BEO, Bonth seeking a detail report regarding particulars of the victim. Reference has been made to a Letter No. 1481 but deliberately the date of the letter has not been mentioned.

5. The IIC, Bonth Police Station is cautioned to be careful while submitting report to this Court and not to suppress any information.



6. As Mr. R.B. Dash, learned Additional Standing Counsel has submitted that the IIC has undertaken to complete the investigation within two months, the CRLMP is disposed of with the expectation that the investigation will be completed within two months, failing which the Petitioner is at liberty to take steps in accordance with law.

(Savitri Ratho)
Judge

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