



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
CONTC No.998 of 2026

Ramananda Mishra

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
M/s Akshya Kumar
Jena

-versus-

***Nivedita Prusty, IAS &
Anr.***

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Opposite

Parties/Contemnors

Represented by Adv. –Ms.
S.Nayak, A.S.C.

CORAM:
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR
MOHAPATRA

ORDER
20.03.2026

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
 2. Alleging violation of order dated 20.05.2025 passed in W.P.(C) No.5081 of 2025, the Petitioner has approached this Court by filing the present contempt application. While disposing of the abovenoted writ application, this Court had directed the Opposite Parties to make every endeavor to conclude the recruitment process within a period of two months if the same is not concluded in the meantime. Further, it was directed that in the event the Petitioner is found eligible then his case shall be considered along with other eligible candidates.
 3. Learned counsel for the Contemnors at this juncture produced a copy of the office order dated 25.04.2025 which reveals that the



recruitment process has been concluded in the meantime and that the Petitioner was not found eligible for appointment as per the merit selection criteria adopted in the recruitment process. Accordingly, the representation of the Petitioner has been disposed of vide order dated 25.01.2025.

4. In view of the aforesaid development, the Contempt proceeding is dropped with liberty to the Petitioner to approach this Court again by filing a fresh writ application in the event the cause of action still subsists.

(Aditya Kumar Mohapatra)
Judge

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