



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**  
**CMP No.339 of 2026**

***Ramakant Palatasingh and others*** .....

***Petitioners***

Represented by Adv. –

Mr. Vivekananda Jena

-versus-

***Niranjan Palatasingh and others*** .....

***Opposite Parties***

**CORAM:**

**THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA**

**ORDER**

**24.02.2026**

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid mode.
  2. Heard the learned counsel for the Petitioners. Perused the CMP application as well as the prayer made therein.
  3. The Plaintiffs in C.S. No.435 of 2012 pending in the court of 2<sup>nd</sup> Additional Civil Judge (Senior Division), Bhubaneswar, have approached this Court by filing the present CMP application seeking a direction to the trial court to expedite the trial and conclude the same in a time bound manner.
  4. Learned counsel for the Petitioners, at the outset, contended that although the suit was filed by the Plaintiffs-Petitioners and in the meantime more than a decade time has elapsed, the suit has not come to an end. He further submitted that although evidence from the side of the Plaintiffs has been adduced, however the Defendants have taken time to adduce evidence from their side. Learned counsel for the



Petitioners further submitted that the delay in disposal of the suit is solely attributable to the conduct of the Defendants and such conduct has seriously prejudiced the Plaintiffs-Petitioners. In such view of the matter, learned counsel for the Petitioners contended that the trial court be directed to expedite the trial.

5. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the Petitioners and on a careful examination of the factual background of the present case and the fact that the suit is of the year 2012, this Court is of the view that the same should have been concluded in a time bound manner. However, in the present case, it is a matter of record that the suit is pending since 2012. In such view of the matter the present CMP application is disposed of by directing the learned trial court to make every endeavour to expedite the trial and conclude the same as expeditiously as possible, preferably within one year. The parties are directed not to seek any unnecessary adjournments.

6. With the aforesaid observation and direction, the CMP is disposed of.

**( Aditya Kumar Mohapatra )**  
**Judge**

Debasis