



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

TRP(C) No.40 of 2026

Susmita Ghose

.... Petitioner

Mr. A. Mohanty, Advocate

-versus-

Sangram Kumar Sahoo

.... Opp. Party

CORAM:

JUSTICE MRUGANKA SEKHAR SAHOO

ORDER

24.02.2026

(Hybrid Mode)

Order No.

- 01.** 1. Learned counsel for the petitioner is heard at length.
2. The petitioner-wife is before this Court seeking transfer of the petition C.P. No.413 of 2023 from the Court of the learned Judge, Family Court, Balasore to the Court of learned Judge, Family Court, Baripada, Mayurbhanj.
3. It is submitted that though Mayurbhanj and Balasore are adjacent districts, the petitioner is facing difficulty to attend the matter at Balasore.

It is further stated that the petitioner-wife has initiated several cases against the opposite party-husband in the marriage at Baripada, therefore, the



petition filed by the husband in the marriage U/s.13 of the Hindu Marriage Act should be transferred to Baripada.

4. In considered view of this Court, the wife has opted to file as many cases against the husband at a particular place cannot be a ground to transfer the petition filed by the husband U/s.13 of the Hindu Marriage Act seeking divorce, if learned Court, where the Section 13 application has been filed has jurisdiction as defined U/s.19 of the Hindu Marriage Act.

5. At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner files memo of date which states thus:

“That in the instant case the petitioner is a lady and the proceeding is at Balasore vide C.P. No.413 of 2023 which is pending before the learned Judge, Family Court, Balasore but the petitioner is residing at Baripada and she is a lady on account of life threat, distance so she is praying for giving facility on V.C. to appear before the learned Judge, Family Court, Balasore.

Hence, this memo.”

Memo is taken on record. Scanned copy be updated.

6. The petition is disposed of.

7. It is submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner, if required shall avail the facility of Information and Communication Technology (ICT)/digital facility.



It is directed that the parties to the litigation before the learned Court in seisin in C.P. No.413 of 2023, if so advised shall make application before the learned Court for extending the facility of ICT such as virtual hearing, deposition etc. Upon making such application, learned court shall pass appropriate orders in accordance with law extending the facility of ICT.

(Mruganka Sekhar Sahoo)
Judge

Radha