



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No. 5877 of 2026

**1. The Villagers of
Deuli under
Parajapada Gram
Panchayat under the
Badamba Block, Dist.
Cuttack represented
through Susanta
Kumar Sahoo, aged
about 59 years, S/o-
Dayanidhi Sahoo**

2. Dillip Kumar Behera *Petitioners*

Mr. S. Mohanty, Advocate

-versus-

- 1. State of Odisha,
represented through
Commissioner-cum-
Secretary to
Government,
Housing & Urban
Development
Department, 3rd
Floor, Kharavel
Bhavan, Unit-V,
Bhubaneswar,
Khurda**
- 2. Director, Municipal
Administration & Ex-
Officio Additional
Secretary to Govt. of
Odisha, Lok Seva
Bhawan,
Bhubaneswar,
Khurda**
- 3. The Collector,
Cuttack**



**4. The Sub-Collector,
Athagarh, Cuttack**
**5. Block Development
Officer, Badamba,
Cuttack**

.... **Opposite Parties**

Mr. P.K. Ray, AGA

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER
26.02.2026

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01. 1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioners and the learned counsel for the State.
2. The grievance of the Petitioners, who are the villagers of Deuli under Parajapada Gram Panchayat, is non-inclusion of the village in Badamba N.A.C in terms of Section 4 of the Odisha Municipal Act, 1950.
3. It is submitted by the learned counsel that the Govt. of Odisha, Housing and Urban Development Department, by notification dated 22.12.2025 at Annexure-2 have treated the following nine villages as transitional areas to be converted to N.A.C in terms of the Section 4 of the Odisha Municipal Act, 1950. It is alleged that though the Petitioners' village is qualified in every respect, the same has been left out.

Sl. No.	Name of the Village	Name of the concerned Grama Panchayat to which the village belongs
(1)	(2)	(3)
1.	Badambagarh	Badambagarh
2.	Jodamba	-do-



3.	Biswambarpur	-do-
4.	Godapokhari	Godapokharl
5.	Khamarasahi	-do-
6.	Muliabank	-do-
7.	Mangalpur	-do-
8.	Tulasipur	-do-
9.	Champeidwar	-do-

4. It is further stated that ventilating their grievance, the Petitioners have filed a representation to the Collector, Cuttack and a copy thereof has also been endorsed to Hon'ble Minister of Housing and Urban Development Department, Govt. of Odisha and the concerned MLA.

5. It is stated that though the representation has been made since 05.02.2026, no action has been taken and alleging inaction in respect thereof, the present writ petition has been filed.

6. It is submitted by the learned counsel for the State that the writ petition is pre-mature and the same ought not to be entertained.

7. Considering the grievance as stated by the Petitioners in their representation, the writ petition is disposed of calling upon the Opposite Party Nos.1 to 3 to consider the representation of the Petitioners at Annexure-4 within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order along with a copy of the writ petition. Till such period, no



consequential action in terms of the Annexure-2 shall be taken.

8. It is needless to state that while considering the representation of the Petitioners, which is at Annexure-4, the affected parties shall be given an opportunity of hearing and the decision so taken shall be intimated to the Petitioners.

9. UCC as per rules.

(V. Narasingh)
Judge

Santoshi