



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
W.P.(C) No.5573 of 2026

Jyotirmaya Pujari

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. –

Mr. Dilip Kumar Sahu

-versus-

State of Odisha and others

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Opposite Parties

Mr. C.M. Singh, ASC

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA

ORDER

23.02.2026

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
 2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner as well as learned Additional Standing Counsel for the State-Opposite Parties. Perused the writ application as well as the prayer made therein.
 3. The Petitioner has filed the present writ application with the following prayer:

“It is therefore, prayed that this Hon'ble Court would be graciously please to admit this writ petition, issue a rule NISI calling upon the Opposite Parties to show cause as to why not the opposite Parties shall not be directed to enhance the grade pay of 2800/- in state of 2200/- with consequential Service benefits as per revised scale of pay rule and disbursed to the petitioner within a stipulated period. If the Opposite parties fail to file show cause or show insufficient cause this Hon'ble Court would be pleased to make absolute the said rule



and issue a writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate writ or writs directing the Opposite parties enhance the grade pay of 2800/- in state of 2200/- with consequential Service benefits as per revised scale of pay rule and disbursed to the petitioner within a stipulated period.

And further be pleased to pass such order or orders, issue any other or further direction/direction deem(s) fit and proper in the interest of justice so as to give complete relief to the petitioner and for this act of kindness, the petitioner as in duty bound shall every pray.”

4. In course of hearing of the writ application, learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the Petitioner ventilating his grievance has submitted representation before the Director, SC & ST Welfare Department, Bhubaneswar, Opposite Party No.2 under Annexure-6. It is also submitted by the learned counsel for the Petitioner that the said representation is pending as of now. It is also submitted by the learned counsel for the Petitioner that a direction be issued to the Opposite Party No.2 to consider the representation of the Petitioner under Annexure-6 within a stipulated period of time.

5. Learned Additional Standing Counsel submits that he has no objection if the representation of the Petitioner is considered by the Opposite Party No.2, which is stated to be pending, in accordance with law within a stipulated period of time.

6. Considering the limited nature of grievance of the Petitioner, the writ application is disposed of at the stage of admission with a direction to the Opposite Party No.2 to



consider the representation dated 28.11.2025 of the Petitioner under Annexure-6 within a period of eight weeks from the date of production of certified copy of this order. The Opposite Party No.2 shall do well to dispose of the representation of the Petitioner under Annexure-6 by passing a speaking and reasoned order. The decision so taken by the Opposite Party No.2 be also communicated to the Petitioner within ten days thereafter.

7. With the aforesaid observation, the writ application stands disposed of.

Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per Rules.

(A.K. Mohapatra)

Judge

Debasis