



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.5296 of 2026

Ajit Kumar Paikray

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Petitioner

Represented by

Mr. A. K.Sahoo,
Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and others

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Opposite Parties

Represented by

A.S.C.

**CORAM:
JUSTICE SASHIKANTA MISHRA**

ORDER

25.2.2026.

Order No.

03. 1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned Addl. Standing Counsel for the State.
3. The Petitioner's application for demarcation of his land registered as Demarcation Case No.72/2025 was dropped by the Tahasildar, Balipatna passing the following order:

“The C.R. is put up today. Notices have been served to all parties S.R. is back. No objection have received from the boundary tenants. The suit land is demarcated in presence of Amin,



applicant, police personnel and boundary tenants on dt.16.6.2025. But during the last phase of demarcation, some people have created nuisance and stopped the process of demarcation. The Amin report is part of the case record. Hence, the case is disposed off.”

4. This Court is surprised at the helplessness of a Government Officer as senior as the Tahasildar as reflected in the impugned order. If some people created nuisance they could not have been allowed to stop the process of demarcation. Police help also could have been obtained. This Court is of the view that the Tahasildar has not performed his duties properly or diligently as required of him by law.

5. The Writ Petition is allowed. The impugned order is set aside. The matter is remitted to the Tahasildar, Balipatna to proceed with the Demarcation Case No.72/2025 afresh, if necessary, with police assistance. The demarcation shall be concluded within a period of two months from today.

6. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted on proper application.

(Sashikanta Mishra)
Judge

AKB