



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No.5818 of 2026

Sarat Chandra Joshi

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
Bivudatta Chalan

-versus-

State Of Odisha & Ors.

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Opposite Parties

Represented by Adv. –
S.Behera, A.G.A.

CORAM:

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

ORDER

23.02.2026

Order No.

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

“Under the above circumstances, it is therefore humbly prayed that this Hon'ble Court may be graciously pleased to issue a writ in the nature of mandamus or any other appropriate writ/direction or order by directing the Opp. Party No. 3 & 4 to grant one increment and re-fix the pension of the petitioner taking into the judgment dated 30.07.2021 passed in W.P.(C) No. 17715 of 2020 (Arun Kumar Biswal Vs. State) within a stipulated period.



And pass any other appropriate order(s)/direction(s) as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper, in the interest of justice, equity and fair play.”

4. It is stated by learned counsel for the Petitioner although he has approached the Opposite Party No.3 by filing a representation dated 27.02.2025 at Annexure-5, however, no final decision has been taken as of now. Being aggrieved by such inaction on the part of the Opposite Party No.3, the Petitioner has approached this Court by filing the present writ application.

5. Learned Additional Government Advocate on the other hand contended that although he has no specific instruction in the matter. However, in the event the representation of the Petitioner is still pending before the Opposite Party No.3 for final consideration, he will have no objection if this Court directs the Opposite Party No.3 to consider and dispose of the representation of the Petitioner in accordance with the applicable law & rules 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.3 to consider the representation of the Petitioner under Annexure-5 within a period of eight weeks from the date of production of certified copy of this order. The Opposite Party No.3 shall do well to dispose of the representation of the Petitioner under Annexure-5 by passing a speaking and reasoned order. The decision so taken by the Opposite Party No.3 be also communicated to the Petitioner within ten days thereafter.

7. With the aforesaid observation/ direction, the writ application



stands disposed of.

8. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per Rules.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

Anil