



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.5674 of 2026

Manoranjan Patra

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Petitioner

Mr. S.K. Dash, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha & Ors.

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Opposite Parties

Mr. P.P. Behera, ASC

CORAM:

JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

23.02.2026

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- 01.** 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical) Mode.
2. Heard learned counsel appearing for the Parties.
3. Even though the present Writ Petition has been filed *inter alia* challenging the impugned communication dtd.21.01.2026 so issued under Annexure-16 by Opposite Party No.5, but it is fairly contended that Petitioner has no objection to submit a fresh application in the prescribed format along with all necessary documents in terms of letter dtd.21.01.2026. But since only three (3) days' time was given to submit the application and the documents, Petitioner could not file the same within the stipulated time period.
4. It is fairly contended that Petitioner is ready and willing to make a fresh application along with the documents on or before 06.03.2026.

5. Learned Addl. Standing Counsel for the State has no serious objection to the course of action proposed.

6. Having heard learned counsel appearing for the Parties and considering the submissions made, this Court while disposing the Writ Petition permits the Petitioner to submit the fresh application along with all relevant documents before Opposite Party No.5 in terms of the letter dtd.21.01.2026 on or before 06.03.2026.

6.1. It is observed that if such an application along with the documents will be filed before the aforesaid date, Opposite Party No.5 shall entertain the same and decide the claim in terms of the OCS(RA) Rules, 1990 and amendment made in the meantime vide Notification dtd.04.04.2025.

7. Accordingly, the Writ Petition stands disposed of.

(Biraja Prasanna Satapathy)
Judge

Subrat