



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) NO.6240 of 2026

Kabita Chhotray

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Petitioner

Mr. A.K. Chhatoi, Adv.

-versus-

State of Odisha & Ors.

....

Opposite Parties

Mr. A. Tripathy, AGA

COROM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

26.02.2026

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Mode.

2. Heard learned counsel appearing for the parties.

3. Considering the submission that during pendency of criminal proceeding, filing of defence by the petitioner in the disciplinary proceeding will jeopardize the prospect of the delinquent-petitioner involving the criminal case, this Court finds support of the submission of learned counsel has also the support of decision of the Hon'ble apex Court reported in AIR 1999 SC 1416, decided taking supporting of the old decision of the Hon'ble Apex Court reported in AIR 1965 SC 155. This Court accordingly while disposing of the writ petition, permits the continuance of the Departmental Proceeding No. 11689 dtd.02.08.2021 under Annexure-5 involving the Petitioner but with the condition that no final order will be passed till finalization of the Criminal Case vide V.G.R. Case No.49 of 2017 pending in the court of learned Special Judge, Bhubaneswar. This



Court also permit the Opp. Parties to move the court involving V.G.R. Case No.49 of 2017 for its early disposal.

4. With the aforesaid observation and direction, the writ Petition stands disposed of.

5. Issue urgent certified copy as per Rules.

(Biraja Prasanna Satapathy)
Judge

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