



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
WP(C) No. 6406 of 2026

Monali Routray

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Petitioner

Mr. A. Tripathy, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha & Ors.

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Opposite Parties

Mr. A. Tripathy, AGA

Mr. U.K. Samal, Sr. Advocate

(Opp. Party Nos. 3 & 4)

CORAM:
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY
ORDER
24.03.2026

Order No. 04

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard learned counsel appearing for the Parties.
3. Pursuant to order dtd.13.03.2026, an affidavit is filed before this Court through Opp. Party No. 2. The same be kept in record.
4. Copy of the affidavit has already been provided to the learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner as well as learned Sr. Counsel appearing for Opp. Party Nos. 3 & 4.
5. This Court after going through the affidavit, finds that in Para 8 of the affidavit, a stand has been taken that the writ appeal in W.A. No. 186 of 2026 has been filed only challenging a part of the order, wherein this Court directed for consideration of the claim of the Petitioner herein against any vacant post.



6. This Court after going through the prayer made in the Writ Appeal, finds that the Writ Appeal has been filed challenging the entire order so passed by this Court on 28.06.2024.

7. Since it is found that the stand taken in Para 8 of the affidavit is not similar to the prayer made in the Writ appeal, this Court directs for personal appearance of the deponent of the affidavit dtd.18.03.2026 before this Court tomorrow (25.03.2026). The said Officer is directed to justify the stand taken in Para 8 of the affidavit dtd.18.03.2026 vis-à-vis the prayer made in the Writ Appeal.

8. However, considering the stand taken in the affidavit that Opp. Party Nos. 3 & 4 have already been selected to get the benefit of appointment, this Court is inclined to modify the interim order passed by this Court on 26.02.2026 by holding that appointment of Opp. Party Nos. 3 & 4 shall be subject to final outcome of the Writ Petition.

9. List this matter tomorrow (25.03.2026).

(BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY)
Judge

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