



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.15135 of 2016

Barendra Kumar Das and others

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Petitioners

Mr. Debabrata Rath, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and others

....

Opposite Parties

Mr. Jayant Kumar Bal, Addl. Govt. Advocate

(O.P.Nos.1 to 3)

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MURAHARI SRI RAMAN

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18.03.2025

This matter is taken up through Hybrid Mode.

2. It is submitted by Mr. Debabrata Rath, learned counsel for the petitioners that in the counter affidavit filed by opposite party no.4 it has been clearly stated at paragraph-7 that the petitioners (excluding petitioner no.4, who is stated to be dead and the case against him is not pressed vide order dated 07.09.2022) were working under Balasore Municipality since 1997 intermittently on DLR basis. However, in view of Letter bearing No.16880//LFS (APL)39/98 (pt)/H & UD dated 15.05.1999 (Annexure-4) of the Housing and Urban Development Department, the petitioner nos. 1, 2 and 3 are entitled to be regularised in service. He further submitted that when there is no dispute, rather the opposite parties have admitted that the petitioners have been working in Balasore Municipality since 1997, non-regularisation by the authorities concerned is discriminatory and exploitative.



3. None appeared for the opposite party no.4 (Executive Officer, Balasore Municipality, Balasore) at the time of call.
4. Mr. Jayant Kumar Bal, learned Additional Government Advocate seeks two weeks' accommodation to obtain instruction as to whether the case of the petitioner nos. 1 to 3 can be considered in the light of letter dated 15.05.1999 issued by the Housing & Urban Development Department vide Annexure-4.
5. List this matter on 04.04.2025.

(M.S. Raman)
Judge

Aswini