



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
W.P.(C) No.8546 of 2026

Subarna Manjari Das

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. –
Mr. Asutosh Mohapatra

-versus-

State of Odisha and others

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Opposite Parties

Represented by Adv. –
Mr. D.K. Sahoo, AGA

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA

ORDER

23.03.2026

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 counsel for the State-Opposite Parties. Perused the writ petition as well as the documents annexed thereto.
3. The present writ petition has been filed by the Petitioner with the following prayers:-

“It is therefore prayed that, this Hon'ble Court may graciously be please :-

- (i) To admit this writ application.
- (ii) To direct the opposite parties to release the legal dues of the petitioner's husband who was working under the PRAVA ROUTRAY JUNIOR MOHAVIDYALAYA, GODISAH in the District of Cuttack and expired in duty on 03.07.2012 who worked more than 15 (fifteen years in that institution;
- (iii) To direct the Opposite party No.1 to enquiry into the matter and release the legal dues of the petitioner husband i.e. Gratuity, Leave Salary, Ex-gratia as per Annexure-6 , and pensionary benefit and etc. as per law.”



4. It is submitted by learned counsel for the Petitioner that although the Petitioner has filed representation dated 25.06.2025 before the Opposite Party No.1-Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Lok Seva Bhawan, Bhubaneswar under Annexure-7, but the same is still pending before the said Opposite Party and the said Opposite Party has not taken any decision as of now.

5. Learned counsel for the State submits that he has no objection, if a direction is given to the authority concerned to consider the representation of the Petitioner in accordance with law within a stipulated period of time.

6. Considering the submission made by the learned counsel for the Petitioner and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this Court disposes of the writ petition at the stage of admission with a direction to the Opposite Party No.1 to consider the representation of the Petitioner dated 25.06.2025 under Annexure-7 in accordance with law within a period of eight weeks from the date of production of a certified copy of this order. It is needless to mention here that the representation of the Petitioner shall be considered and disposed of by passing a speaking and reasoned order. Any decision so taken on the said representation shall be communicated to the Petitioner within ten days thereafter.

Urgent certified copy of this order be granted on proper application.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

Debasis