



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WA No.727 of 2025

State of Odisha and Ors.

Appellants

Represented by Adv.-
Mr. S.K. Jee, AGA

-versus-

Gopinath Swain

Respondent

Represented by Adv.-
Mr. K.K. Swain, Adv.

CORAM:

**JUSTICE KRISHNA SHRIPAD DIXIT
JUSTICE CHITTARANJAN DASH**

**ORDER
24.03.2026**

**Order No.
04.**

The subject matter of this Appeal is substantially similar to the one in W.P.(C) No.14788 of 2023 between **Minarani Mohanty v. State of Odisha** disposed off by another learned Single Judge's order of this Court vide order dated 14.07.2023, granting benefit to the employees of the kind.

We are told at the Bar that the State and its official had preferred W.A. No.247 of 2024 against the said judgment and that the said Writ Appeal came to be dismissed by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court, vide order dated 25.11.2024.

In the result, this Appeal also meets the same fate, and accordingly disposed off. Added to the above, this Intra-Court appeal having been preferred after brooking a long delay of 781



days and application in I.A. No.3190 of 2025 supported by affidavit has been filed seeking its condonation. A perusal of the application and affidavit would show the pirated version of the Appellants which they have duplicated presumably from other applications of the kind. The interdepartmental interaction is no plausible explanation, to say the least. Delay is too long to be condoned.

In the above circumstances, appellants shall give effect to the order of the Single Judge and report compliance to the Registrar General of this Court within an outer limit of three months, without risking the possible contempt action for non-implementation, inasmuch as such benefits have already been extended in respect of two other similarly circumstanced persons.

(Krishna Shripad Dixit)
Judge

(Chittaranjan Dash)
Judge

Prasant