



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.8354 of 2026

Lalitendu Bidyadhar ***Petitioners***
Mohapatra and another

Mr. Subir Palit, Senior Advocate
Along with
Mr. Amitabh Mishra, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and others ***Opp. Parties***

Mr. P.K. Mohanty, ASC
(For Opp. Party Nos. 1 & 8)

Mr. Gautam Mukherji, Senior Advocate
Along with
Mr. Amlan Mishra, Advocate
(For Opp. Party No.6- Caveator)

CORAM:
JUSTICE MRUGANKA SEKHAR SAHOO

ORDER
30.03.2026
(Hybrid Mode)

Order No.

02.

1. The Registry has pointed out that an inadvertent typographical error has crept into the order dated 24.03.2026. The order No.02 in the said order shall be read as order No.01. Accordingly, the today's order shall be order No.02.

2. It is submitted by learned Senior Counsel Mr. Asok Mohanty appearing along with Mr. Jaydeep Pal, learned counsel that Mr. Pal has instruction to appear on behalf of Opp. Party No.5- the Vice-President,



Odisha Cricket Association (OCA), Cuttack. The duly executed Vakalatnama shall be filed during course of the day along with appearance memo of the learned Senior Counsel.

3. Mr. Avijit Patnaik, learned counsel submits that he has instruction to appear on behalf of the Opp. Party No.2- Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) represented through its Secretary.

4. Mr. D.P. Nanda, learned Senior Counsel appears along with Mr. A. Acharya, learned counsel for Opp. Party No.3-Odisha Cricket Association (OCA), Cuttack.

5. Mr. L. Samantray, learned Senior Counsel submits that he has instruction to appear on behalf of Opp. Party No.7-the Treasurer, Odisha Cricket Association (OCA), Cuttack along with learned counsel Mr. Mukesh Mahananda and Mr. J. Samantray.

6. It is submitted by learned Senior Counsel Mr. Palit for the petitioners that earlier, the matter was taken up before the Coordinate Bench by order dated 24.03.2026. By the said order, at paragraph 6, observation was made thus:

“6. The petitioner has prayed for a direction to the Opposite Parties to declare and conduct elections for the post of different Office Bearers of Odisha Cricket Association, a body registered under the Societies Registration Act. Accordingly, list this matter before the appropriate roster Bench.”



7. Apparently, because of the observations of the Coordinate Bench as noted above, the matter has been listed today before this Bench.

Entry 12 of the list of determination of this Court indicates “Writ Petitions under Societies Registration Act”.

8. Copy of the writ application along with I.A. and other connected papers shall be served on all the learned counsel on record for the Opp. Parties within two working days.

Copy of the application has been served on the learned counsel for the Caveator, Mr. Mishra.

The caveat stands discharged.

It is submitted by learned instructing counsel for the petitioners that some of the learned counsel have already been served pursuant to the earlier listing and order.

9. The Vakalatnama of learned instructing counsel and appearance memos of the learned Senior Counsel appearing for the Opp. Parties shall be taken on record. Scanned copy be updated.

The names of learned counsel shall be indicated in the cause list as well as in the case brief from the next date of listing.

10. Pleadings in the writ application as well as the I.As. on behalf of the Opp. Parties shall be completed upon serving copy thereof on the learned instructing counsel for the petitioners by 24.04.2026.



11. With the consent of the learned counsel for the parties, the matter shall be listed in the week commencing 27.04.2026 for orders.

Liberty to mention.

(Mruganka Sekhar Sahoo)
Judge

Rajesh