



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
WP(C) No. 7358 of 2019

Ramakanta Kasta

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Petitioner

Mr. A. Swain, Advocate

-versus-

***Life Insurance Corporation of
India, Chairman & Ors.***

.....

Opposite Parties

Mr. S.P. Panda, Advocate
(Opp. Party Nos. 2, 3 & 4)

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

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1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard learned counsel appearing for the Parties.
3. Mr. S.P. Panda, learned counsel appearing for the Corporation contended that since the order of removal has been issued by the authorities of the LIC Housing Finance Ltd., which is a Public Ltd. Company, no writ can be issued being not a State under Art. 12 of the Constitution of India.
4. In support of his aforesaid submission, reliance was placed to a decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of ***S. Shobha vs. Muthoot Finance Ltd.*** reported in 2025 INSC 117 and a decision of the ***High Court of Kerala at Ernakulam in the case of Vivek Vs. LIC Housing Finance Ltd.*** (W.P.(C) No. 14509 of 2020) decided on 24.03.2022.
5. Mr. A. Swain, learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner with regard to maintainability of the writ petition, relies on a decision of



the Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of ***Kelvin Jute Company Limited Workers Provident Fund & Ors. vs Krishna Kumar Agarwala & Ors.*** reported in (2016) 4 SCC 326 and another decision of the High Court of Kerala at Ernakulam in the case of ***Vivek V. Vs. LIC Housing Finance Ltd.*** (W.A. No. 904 of 2022).

6. Learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner is directed to satisfy this Court with regard to maintainability of the writ petition against the Opp. Party-Company on the next date.

7. On the request made by the learned counsel appearing for the Parties, list this matter on 23rd July, 2026.

(BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY)
Judge

Sneha