



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CONTC No.1470 of 2025

Saroj Kumar Padhi

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Petitioner

Mr. Manoja Kumar Khuntia, Advocate

-versus-

***Vir Vikram Yadav, IAS, Principal
Secretary, Works Department,
Bhubaneswar***

....

Opposite Party

Mr. Saswat Das, AGA

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MURAHARI SRI RAMAN

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ORDER

05.01.2026

1. Despite conscious decision taken by the opposite party to withdraw the writ appeal and steps in that regard has already been taken, learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that there has been non-compliance of the order dated 1st October, 2024 passed in WP(C) No.11825 of 2023.

1.1. Drawing attention of this Court to the affidavit dated 29th October, 2025 sworn to by the Principal Secretary to Government, Works Department, he submitted that the authority concerned should have complied with the said order by now without waiting for the order of withdrawal passed by the Division Bench of this Court.

2. Learned Additional Government Advocate appearing for the State drew attention to paragraph-8 of the affidavit, whereby it is affirmed the authority concerned shall comply with the said order dated 1st October, 2024 in WP(C) No.11825 of 2023 after order of withdrawal passed in writ appeal by the Division Bench.



3. Mere pendency of writ appeal without any operation of stay of said order, the same shall not preclude the authority concerned to comply with the order passed in the writ petition. Since steps have already been taken for withdrawal of writ appeal, there is no impediment complying with the order dated 1st October, 2024.

4. At this stage, learned Additional Government Advocate sought for an accommodation.

5. List this matter in the week commencing 2nd February, 2026. It is hoped that the authority concerned shall take pragmatic step to comply with the order dated 1st October, 2024 passed in WP(C) No.11825 of 2023 by the aforesaid date fixed.

(M.S. Raman)
Judge

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