



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No.9140 of 2026

Umesh Chandra Mahanta

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
Banshidhar Satapathy

-versus-

State Of Odisha & Ors.

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Opposite Parties

Represented by Adv. -
Mr. S.K.Parhi, A.S.C.

CORAM:

**THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR
MOHAPATRA**

ORDER

Order No.

25.03.2026

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
 2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner as well as learned Additional Standing Counsel for the State-Opposite Parties. Perused the writ application as well as the prayer made therein.
 3. The Petitioner has filed the present writ application with the following prayer:

“In the facts and circumstances of the case the humble petitioner fervently prays this Hon'ble Court to be graciously pleased to issue notice to the Opp. parties, call for relevant records and after hearing the Counsel of parties, issue a writ in the nature of Mandamus commanding Opp. parties to disburse differential arrear salary in trained graduate scale of pay to the petitioner on attending 48 years i.e. w.e.f. 21.01.2010 in terms of the decision rendered by this Hon'ble Court in the case of Radharani Samal Vs. State



of Odisha & others (W.P.(C) No. 18908 of 2013) and Akshya Kumar Nayak Vs. State of Odisha & others (W.P (C) No. 5480 of 2021) within the stipulated time.

And / or pass such other order or direction as deems fit and proper in the interest of justice.”

4. In course of hearing of the writ application, learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the Petitioner ventilating his grievance has submitted representation before the District Education Officer, Keonjhar, Opposite Party No.3 under Annexure-1. It is also submitted by the learned counsel for the Petitioner that the said representation is pending as of now. It is also submitted by the learned counsel for the Petitioner that a direction be issued to the Opposite Party No.3 to consider the representation of the Petitioner under Annexure-1 within a stipulated period of time.

5. Learned Additional Standing Counsel submits that he has no objection if the representation of the Petitioner is considered by the Opposite Party No.3, which is stated to be pending, in accordance with law within a stipulated period of time.

6. Considering the limited nature of grievance of the Petitioner, the writ application is disposed of at the stage of admission with a direction to the Opposite Party No.3 to consider the representation of the Petitioner dated 10.04.2025 under Annexure-1 within a period of eight weeks from the date of production of certified copy of this order. The Opposite Party No.3 shall do well to dispose of the representation of the Petitioner under Annexure-1 by passing a speaking and reasoned



order. The decision so taken by the Opposite Party No.3 be also communicated to the Petitioner within ten days thereafter.

7. With the aforesaid observation, the writ application stands disposed of.

8. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per Rules.

(A.K. Mohapatra)

Judge

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