



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.7702 of 2024

Global Institute of Management, Petitioner
At. Hansapal, Bhubaneswar

Mr. S. K. Patnaik, Advocate

-Versus-

Bhubaneswar Municipal Opposite Parties
Corporation, Bhubaneswar and
another

Mr. N. Barik, Advocate for BMC

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIAK

ORDER

13.11.2025

Order No.

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1. Heard Mr. Barik, learned counsel for the BMC is present and he requests for an adjournment to file the counter, which is hereby allowed.

2. List on 8th December, 2025 for final hearing and orders. In the meantime, counter affidavit shall be filed by the BMC serving a copy of the same on the other side in advance.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

IA No.19584 of 2025

1. Heard Mr. Patnaik, learned counsel for the petitioner.

2. Instant petition is filed by the petitioner for stay operation of the impugned demand notice dated 3rd October, 2025 as per Annexure-12 pending disposal of the writ petition on the grounds stated.



3. The submission is that the holding tax has been demanded under the Orissa Municipality Act, 1950 which is no more permissible, hence, the demand notice dated 3rd October, 2025 is legally not tenable.

4. To respond to the same, Mr. Barik, learned counsel for the BMC submits that he needs to take instructions and to reply back. In connection with the earlier demand, this Court directed no coercive action to be taken against the petitioner vide IA No.4426 of 2024. Since a similar demand has been made as per Annexure-12, this Court further directs that it shall not be given effect to till the next date of hearing.

5. List on the date fixed for further orders.

6. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge