



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No.10576 of 2026

Smt. Reena Rani Das

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
Kunal Kumar Swain

-versus-

State Of Odisha and others

.....

Opposite Parties

Mr. D.K. Sahoo, AGA

CORAM:

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

ORDER

09.04.2026

Order No.

01.
 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid mode.
 2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner as well as learned counsel for the State. Perused the writ petition as well as the prayer made therein.
 3. Learned counsel for the Petitioner at the outset contended that initially the post of the Petitioner was approved by the Government vide order dated 08.10.2015. He further contended that a decade thereafter by virtue of an order passed by the Director, Higher Education, Odisha without providing any opportunity to the Petitioner and without issuing any show-cause notice, the order of approval has been unilaterally withdrawn vide order dated



04.08.2025. Being aggrieved by such unilateral and arbitrary conduct without following the principle of natural justice and withdrawn the approval granted to the Petitioner by the State Government, the Petitioner has approached this Court by filing the present writ petition.

4. On a careful examination of the background facts as well as the documents annexed in the present application, this Court is of the view that the matter requires further examination after filing of the counter affidavit.

5. Hence, issue notice to the Opposite Parties.

6. As the copy of the writ petition has already been uploaded in the LMS Portal, no hard copy is required to be served on learned counsel for the State, who accepts notice on behalf of the Opposite Party Nos.1 & 2.

7. Issue notice to the Opposite Party Nos.3 by Registered Post with A.D. by fixing a short returnable date. Requisites be filed within three working days.

8. Counter affidavit, if any, be filed within six weeks after serving a copy thereof on learned counsel for the Petitioner.

9. List this matter in the week commencing 06.07.2026.

I.A. No.6460 of 2026

10. Heard.

11. Notice as above.



12. Accept one set of process fee.
13. As an interim measure, it is directed that the impugned order dated 04.08.2025 shall be kept in abeyance till the next date.

(Aditya Kumar Mohapatra)
Judge

S.K. Rout