



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.11545 of 2025

Mahanadi Coalfields Limited, Angul ***Petitioner***

*Mr. R. Venkataramani, Attorney
General of India along with
Mr. S.D. Das, Senior Advocate*

-versus-

State of Odisha & others ***Opp. Parties***

*Mr. Jateswar Nayak, Additional
Government Advocate*

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.S. MISHRA

ORDER

07.05.2025

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01. This matter is taken up through Hybrid arrangement (video conferencing/physical mode).

Heard Mr. R. Venkataramani, learned Attorney General of India appearing on behalf of the petitioner and Mr. S.D. Das, learned Senior Advocate appearing on behalf of the petitioner by filing the appearance memo in the Court today. The appearance memo be taken on record.



This writ petition has been filed by the Mahanadi Coalfields Limited, Angul with a prayer for a direction to the opposite party no.2, the Collector and District Magistrate, Angul to consider the application of the petitioner under Annexures-6 & 9 for de-notification under Section 48 of Land Acquisition Act, 1894, in regard to Ac 93.57 decimal of the acquired land at village Badajoda. Placing Annexure-9 i.e. the letter dated 14.04.2023 issued by the General Manager, Jagannath Area MCL addressed to the opposite party no.2, it's contended that MCL has been consistently communicating with the opposite party authority appraising them the urgent requirement of land and yet the possession of the land has not been handed over on an urgent basis despite deposit of the entire compensation amount by the MCL. In this circumstance, an alternative land has been used and the aforesaid land is not required, therefore, it's urged that the land may be de-notified, but no action has been taken by the district administration.

Issue notice on the question of admission indicating therein that the matter shall be disposed of at the stage of admission.

Learned counsel for the State accepts notice on behalf of the opposite parties. Extra copies of the writ petition be served on the learned counsel for the



State.

The matter be listed on 1st July, 2025. Instruction be obtained in the meantime.

(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge

(S.S. Mishra)
Judge

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