



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No. 11737 of 2026

*Pitambar Das and Others*

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*Petitioners*

*Represented by*

*Mr. N.C. Jena, Advocate*

*-Versus -*

*State of Odisha and others*

....

*Opp. Parties*

*Represented by*

*Mr. A.R. Dash, AGA*

**CORAM:**

**JUSTICE SASHIKANTA MISHRA**

**ORDER**

**07.05.2026**

**Order No.**

**1.**

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned Addl. Government Advocate for the State.
3. The petitioners have approached this Court with the following prayer:-

*“Under the above facts and circumstances, it is therefore humbly prayed that this Hon’ble Court may graciously be pleased to issue rule NISI calling upon the Opp. Parties to file show cause as to why rent shall not be collected from the petitioners’ property under annexure-1 and if the opp. parties failed to file show cause or shown insufficient cause the Rule may made absolute against the opp. parties.*

*And issue any other order/orders writ/writs direction/directions as the Hon’ble Court shall deem fit and proper.*

*And for this act of kindness the petitioners shall as in duty bound shall ever pray.”*

4. The land in question stands recorded in the name of



Kunja Das, the father of the petitioner Nos.1 to 4, and Natabar Rout, petitioner No.5. After the death of Kunja Das, the present petitioners wanted to pay revenue rent but the same is not being accepted. Non-acceptance of the rent is presumably for the fact that the land continues to be recorded in the name of the father of the petitioner Nos. 1 to 4 & petitioner No.5.

5. Be that as it may, there should be no difficulty in acceptance of the rent as the same can be paid by any person, with reference to the Khata number of land in question.

6. The writ petition is therefore, disposed of directing the Tahasildar, Dharmasala to ensure that the rent paid by the petitioners in respect of the Khata in question is accepted. It shall also be open to the petitioners to seek correction of the ROR, if so advised.

***(Sashikanta Mishra)***  
***Judge***

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