



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No. 12129 of 2026

Pabitra Mohan Pradhan

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Petitioner

Mrs. S. Jena, Adv.

-Versus-

State of Odisha & Another

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Opp. Parties

Mr. A.R. Dash, AGA

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SASHIKANTA MISHRA

ORDER

24.04.2026

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard learned Mrs. S. Jena, learned counsel for the Petitioner and Mr. A.R. Dash, learned Additional Government Advocate for the State-Opposite Parties
3. The Petitioner has approached this Court with the following prayer:-

“In the facts and circumstances of the case, the petitioner respectfully prays that the Hon'ble Court may be graciously pleased to admit this writ petition, issue notice to the Opp. Parties specifically to O.P. No. 3 to show cause as to why the steps have not been taken on Annexure - 2 as on date and if the O.P.s, specifically O.P. No. 3 fail to show cause or show insufficient cause, the Hon'ble Court upon hearing the parties may be further pleased to allow this writ Petition by issuing a writ in the nature of Mandamus or any other appropriate writ directing the O.P. No. 3 to take immediate step on Annexure - 2 and may be further pleased to pass such other order/orders, direction/directions as may be deemed expedient in the interest of justice.

And for this act of kindness as the petitioner is duty bound shall ever pray.”

4. It is stated that the road leading to the house of the Petitioner was allegedly obstructed by the private Opposite Party, for which



she approached the Additional Tahasildar, Angul for necessary redressal. The said representation was acted upon by conducting an enquiry, wherein, the allegations were *prima facie* found to be true. Accordingly, a letter was issued on 16.12.2025 by the Additional Tahasildar, Angul to the Officer in the District Grievance Cell, Angul. Nothing, however, has been done on such report thereafter.

5. Since the petitioner's allegation was enquired into and *prima facie* found correct, the Writ Petition is disposed of directing the Collector, Angul to look into the grievance of the petitioner and issue necessary orders for early redressal, including issuing prohibitory orders against any proposed construction on the land in question.

6. It is made clear that before passing any order the Collector shall grant opportunity of hearing to the Petitioner as well as the private Opposite Party.

7. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted on proper application as per rules.

(Sashikanta Mishra)
Judge

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