



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
W.P.(C). No.12717 of 2026

Bikram Kishore Dash

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Petitioner

Mr. Bijay Kumar Behera, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and others

....

Opposite Parties

Ms. Biswbara Dash, ASC

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MURAHARI SRI RAMAN

Order No.

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ORDER

30.04.2026

1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Additional Standing Counsel appearing for the State-opposite parties.
2. The petitioner has come up challenging the impugned order of demand notice regarding payment of compounding fee amounting to Rs.4,02,239/- as per Annexure-1, for illegal transportation of sand in the Tipper bearing registration No.OD-05-BU-3459.
3. As seen from Annexure-1, the Office of the Divisional Forest Officer, Athgarh Forest Division, Athgarh has issued the notice for deposit of compounding fee to the aforementioned tune.
4. As such, the writ petition is disposed of granting liberty to the authorities to proceed in accordance with law in respect of the vehicle in question. However, without prejudice to the rights and contentions of the petitioner, in the event the petitioner deposits a sum of Rs.50,000/- (rupees fifty thousand only) in cash and property security for the rest of the demand as per Annexure-1, before the authority concerned within a period of fifteen days from today and appears before such authority along with certified copy of this order and a copy of the writ petition, the vehicle of the petitioner may be released



in its favour as an interim measure, subject to final decision to be taken by the authority.

5. As a result of disposal of the writ petition, pending Interlocutory Application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(M.S. Raman)
Judge