



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No.12694 of 2026

Maharaj Badaseth

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Petitioner

Mr. S. Mohapatra, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha & others

....

Opposite Parties

Mr. S. Panda, ASC

Ms. Tripathy, Special Counsel

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAİK

ORDER

05.05.2026

Order

No.

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1. Heard learned counsel for the respective parties.
2. Instant petition is filed by the petitioner for a direction to opposite party No.5 to consider disposal of the appeal as per Annexure-3 received pursuant to the letter of opposite party No.4 i.e. Annexure-4 on the grounds stated.
3. The petitioner submitted the application under the RTI Act as per Annexure-1 and thereafter, it was transferred to opposite party No.3 by letter dated 24th October, 2025 (Annexure-2), whereafter the appeal is filed but it stood again transferred to opposite party No.4 and at present pending registration and orders. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the appeal is pending since the month of December, 2025 without any order therein and therefore, necessary direction is required to be issued in that regard.



Recorded the response of the learned counsel for the State and Ms. Tripathy, learned Special Counsel for opposite party No.1. The Court finds that the petitioner has also submitted a representation recently as per Annexure-5. Since the limited grievance is for disposal of the appeal, a copy of the appeal memorandum being at Annexure-3, this Court is inclined to direct opposite party No.5 to ensure it by an order therein at the earliest but within a stipulated period.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the writ petition stands disposed of with the direction as aforesaid. It is further directed that opposite party No.5 shall immediately take up the hearing of the appeal after its registration and conclude the same disposing it of according to law as soon as possible preferably within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

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