



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No.13169 of 2026

CNR No. ODHHC010302072026

Orissa Stevedores Ltd, Cuttack

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
Jaydeep Pal

-versus-

***1) STATE TRANSPORT AUTHORITY
ODISHA ,CUTTACK***

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Opposite Parties

2) REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICE,
KALAHANDI
3) TRAFFIC INSPECTOR AT
REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICE,
KALAHANDI

Represented by Adv. –
Mr. D.K. Sahoo, AGA

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA

ORDER

03.08.2026

Order No.

04. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).

I.A. No.13353 of 2026

2. This is an application with a prayer for amendment to the pleadings made in the writ application.
3. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner as well as Mr. Behera, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the Transport Department.
4. By filing the abovenoted amendment application, the Petitioner seeks to bring on record certain facts which were inadvertently omitted while



typing out the writ application.

5. Learned counsel for the Petitioner at the outset contended that such facts are necessary for just and fair adjudication of the writ application.

6. Mr. Behera, learned counsel for the Petitioner contended that if the amendment is allowed, the same would amount to adding a separate cause of action to the present writ application which has been filed entirely on a different cause of action. He further submitted that in the event the amendment is allowed. The Opposite Party may not get an opportunity to rebut the additional facts brought on record by way of an amendment.

7. Considering the submissions made by learned counsels appearing for both sides, on a careful examination of the background facts as well as the prayer made in the I.A. application, this Court is inclined to allow the application for amendment. Accordingly, registry is directed that the amendment prayed for be carried out in the consolidated copy of the writ application be uploaded within three working days after serving a copy thereof on the learned Standing Counsel for the Transport Department. It is open to the learned Standing Counsel for the Transport Department to file his additional counter affidavit within two weeks' thereafter.

8. Accordingly, the I.A. stands disposed of.

9. Interim order passed earlier shall continue till the next date.

10. List this matter in the week commencing 07.09.2026.

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(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge