



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C). NO.13079 OF 2024

Bhesaj Panigrahi and another* *Petitioners

Mr. Naresh Chandra Jena, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and others* *Opp. Parties

Mr. Sabita Ranjan Pattnaik,
Additional Government Advocate

CORAM:

JUSTICE K.R. MOHAPATRA

JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO

ORDER

11.08.2025

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
 2. This writ petition is listed under the heading Special Mediation Drive-Mediation 'For the Nation' in the cause list.
 3. Mr. Pattnaik, learned Additional Government Advocate submits that although, instructions were sought for from the Opposite Parties pursuant to order dated 1st August, 2025, but, no instruction has yet been received from any of them.
 4. In view of the non-cooperation of the Opposite Parties, namely, Secretary, Department of Water Resources, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar-Opposite Party No.1, Revenue Divisional Commissioner, Northern Division, Sambalpur-Opposite Party No.2, Collector, Balangir-Opposite Party No.3 and Special Land Acquisition Collector, Lower Suktel Irrigation Project, Balangir-Opposite Party No.4, this Court is not in a position to refer the matter for mediation.
 5. Hence, this Court requests the Secretary, Department of Water Resources, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar-Opposite



Party No.1 to instruct the Officers to cooperate with the Court for imparting instruction in time, as requested.

6. Registry shall communicate a copy of this order to the Secretary, Department of Water Resources, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar-Opposite Party No.1 forthwith for information and necessary action.

7. Let the counter affidavit in the matter be filed within a period of four weeks hence serving copy thereof on learned counsel for the Petitioner.

8. Put up this matter on 26th September, 2025, on which date, an endeavour shall be made for final disposal of the writ petition.

(K.R. Mohapatra)
Judge

(Savitri Ratho)
Judge

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