



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No.14309 of 2026

***Dr. Kishore Chandrasekhar
Panigrahi***

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
Sukanta Kumar
Mishra

-versus-

Union Of India & Ors.

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Opposite Parties

Mr.B.S.Rayaguru, Sr. Panel
Counsel for O.P. No.1

Mr.Amitav Das, Sr. Adv.
along with Mr.Anshuman
Das, Adv. (for O.P. Nos.2 &
3)

CORAM:

**THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR
MOHAPATRA**

ORDER

07.05.2026

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
2. Sri Bhabani Sankar Rayaguru, Senior Panel Counsel enters appearance on behalf of the Opposite Party No.1 in the present case by filing a memorandum in court today and the same be kept on record.
3. Mr.Anshuman Das, learned counsel enters appearance on behalf of the Opposite Party Nos.2 & 3 by filing a vakalatnama in Court today and the same be kept on record. Registry is directed to reflect the name of Mr.Anshuman Das, learned counsel in the cause list as well as in the brief as he is appearing on behalf of the



Opposite Party Nos.2 & 3 in this case.

4. Mr.Amitav Das, Senior Advocate enters appearance on behalf of the Opposite Party Nos.2 & 3 in the present case by filing a memorandum in court today and the same be kept on record. Registry is directed to reflect the name of Mr.Amitav Das, learned Senior Counsel in the cause list as well as in the brief as he is appearing on behalf of the Opposite Party Nos.2 & 3 in this case.

5. Heard learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner as well as Mr.B.S.Rayaguru, learned Senior Panel Counsel for the Opposite Party No.1 and Mr.Amitav Das, learned Senior Advocate appearing for the Opposite Party Nos.2 & 3.

6. Mr.Rayaguru, learned Senior Panel Counsel, at the outset, objected to the addition of the Opposite Party No.1 as a party to the present writ application as no specific prayer has been made against such Opposite Party.

7. Learned counsel for the Petitioner submitted that he will have no objection if the name of the Opposite Party No.1 is deleted.

8. Accordingly, the name of Opposite Party No.1 be deleted from the cause title of the writ application.

9. Mr.Amitav Das, learned Senior Counsel appearing for the Opposite Party Nos.2 & 3 for the NISER, Bhubaneswar submitted that he has instruction to represent the Institution in this case.

10. Considering the issue involved in the present writ application, this Court is of the view that the matter requires further examination after filing of the counter affidavit.



11. Hence, on the request of Mr.Das, learned Senior Counsel appearing for the Opposite Party Nos.2 & 3 is granted four weeks' time to file the reply affidavit after serving a copy thereof on learned counsel for the Petitioner.

12. List this matter in the week commencing 22.06.2026.

I.A No.8718 of 2026

13. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner.

14. As an interim measure, it is directed that any decision taken in the meantime shall be subject to the final outcome of the present writ application.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

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