



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) NO.9875 OF 2016

Sabita Parida

.... Petitioner

Mr. J.K.Mishra, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha & Others

.... Opp.Parties

Mr. S.B.Mohanty, AGA

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIXIT KRISHNA SHRIPAD

ORDER

07.08.2025

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The counter has been filed after brooking a delay of about seven years of issuance of notice in the matter. Normatively, it has to be filed within a period of thirty days. No explanation appears for long delay brooked in filing the counter. The Government and Article 12 entities have to conduct themselves as model litigants before the Courts. Anyway, the counter cannot be rejected merely on the ground that it has been belatedly filed. However, it cannot be unconditionally taken on record ignoring the long delay, either.

In the above circumstances, the counter filed in this case is accepted on record and it would become part of the pleadings in the case subject to the rider that Opp. Party No.3 presenting to Madhusudan Library of the Orissa High Court Bar Association “Law of Contract” by Cheshire, Fifoot and Furmston within two weeks. If that book is not available in the



market, then in its stead, the following three books shall be presented.

- i) A Theory of Justice by John Rawls
- ii) Political Liberalism by John Rawls
- iii) The Idea of Justice by Amartya Sen.

Call this matter on 22nd August, 2025, for reporting compliance.

(Dixit Krishna Shripad)
Judge

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