



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.18297 of 2026

Josabanta Pradhan

Petitioner

Mr. A.K. Chhatoi, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha & Ors.

Opposite Parties

Mr. A. Tripathy, AGA

COROM:

JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

17.06.2026

Order No

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Mode.
2. Heard learned counsel for appearing for the Parties.
3. The present Writ Petition has been filed *inter alia* with the following prayer:-

“ In view of the facts stated above the Petitioner prays that this Hon'ble Court may graciously be pleased to issue a writ in the nature of writ of Mandamus directing the Opp.Party No.1 to absorb the petitioner in the post of Assistant Handicrafts Officer in terms of the Resolution dtd.11.03.2024 under Annexure-11 w.e.f.11.03.2024 with all consequential service and financial benefits within time stipulated by the Hon'ble Court.

And further be pleased to direct the opp. party No.1 to frame the new Odisha Handicraft Service cadre rule strictly adhering to the stipulations made in the resolution dtd.11.03.2024 within a time to be stipulated by this Hon'ble Court.

And further be pleased to issue pass any other order/orders as the Hon'ble Court deems fit and proper.

And for this act of kindness the petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray”.

4. In course of hearing, learned counsel for the Petitioner states that highlighting his grievance, Petitioner has made a representation to Opposite Party No.1 vide Annexure-12 and the



same may be directed to be considered within a stipulated time, to which learned Counsel for the State has no objection.

5. As agreed by learned counsel for the parties and after going through the records, this Court, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, disposes of the Writ Petition directing Opposite Party No.1 to consider the representation filed by the Petitioner vide Annexure-12 within a period of three (3) months in accordance with law from the date of production of certified copy of this order.

6. Accordingly, the Writ Petition stands disposed of.

(Biraja Prasanna Satapathy)
Vacation Judge

Subrat