



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.9787 of 2015

Uma Devi

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Petitioner

Represented by

Mr. A. Sharma, Advocate

-Versus-

Ministry of Home Affairs, GOI & Others

Opp. Parties

Represented by

Mr. P.K. Parhi, DSGI with

Mr. D. Gochhayat, CGC

Mr. S.N. Patnaik,

Additional Government Advocate

CORAM:

JUSTICE SASHIKANTA MISHRA

ORDER

25.08.2025

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1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Learned CGC informs that by letter dated 30.07.2025 the Ministry of Home Affairs has requested the Finance Department to furnish certain further particulars of the petitioner and her family such as bank details, Adhaar Card, Pan Card etc., for further processing of the case.
3. This Court observes that the matter has not received the attention and sensitivity it deserves, it being a case of the LRs of a widow of a freedom fighter seeking arrears of family pension. This Court expresses concern over the maze of the correspondence going on between the Central Government and State Government at the expense of the petitioners, which is certainly not acceptable. Nevertheless, this Court is conscious of the fact that certain procedural formalities are required to be duly complied with.



4. This Court therefore, requests the learned State counsel to obtain instructions as to what action has been taken on the letter dated 13.07.2025 of the Central Government.
5. The petitioners are also permitted to furnish the documents called for to the learned CGC for onward transmission to the Ministry of Home Affairs at their level. This is being said to ensure an early resolution of the dispute.
6. This Court hopes and trusts that the authorities concerned shall deal with the matter with due promptitude and sensitivity.
7. List this matter on 3rd September, 2025

(Sashikanta Mishra)
Judge

Puspanjali