



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.18155 of 2026

Swagatika Bal

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Petitioner

Mr. K.C. Rath, Advocate

-versus-

**State of Odisha and
Others**

....

Opp. Parties

Mr. S.N. Patnaik, AGA

CORAM:

JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

17.06.2026

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01. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical) Mode.

2. Heard learned counsel appearing for the parties.

3. The present Writ Petition has been filed *inter alia* with the following prayer: -

“The Petitioners, therefore, most humbly prays to issue Notice to the Opposite Parties to furnish suitable Show Cause and in absence of any such suitable Show Cause, this Hon'ble Court further be pleased to issue Writ of Mandamus or any other suitable Writ/Writs directing the Opposite Parties to admit them in the Old Pension Scheme 1992 Rules and readmit them in the GPF/CPF Scheme forthwith as it has been allowed to similarly placed Employees. Or further directed that the representation may be considered and disposed of within a stipulated period.

And pass any other orders and directions as this Hon'ble Court deem just and proper.

And the Petitioner may kindly be allowed to get all Service Consequential and Financial benefits.”



4. Learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that through highlighting her grievances, the petitioner has filed a representation vide Annexure-7 to the Writ Petition, but till date nothing has been done in the matter. In such background, she prays that a direction be issued to the Opposite Party No.5 to take a decision on the above noted petition within a specific time period.

5. Considering the submissions made and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this Court directs the Opposite Party No.5 to take a decision on the above noted representation in accordance with law, within a period of three months from the date of production of certified copy of this order and communicate the result of such exercise to the petitioner.

5.1. While considering the claim of the petitioner, relevancy and effect of the decision in the case of ***Sri Anand Dash and Others Vrs. State of Odisha*** be taken into consideration, if it is applicable to the case of the petitioner.

6. The Writ Petition is disposed of accordingly.

(Biraja Prasanna Satapathy)
Vacation Judge

Basudev