



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WPC No. 19235 of 2026

Liyakat Ali Khan

.... Petitioner

Mr. Subash Chandra Acharya, Advocate

-versus-

***1. Collector -cum- District, Magistrate,
Cuttack***

***2. Block Development Officer, Sadar,
Cuttack***

***3. Praharajpur Gram Panchayat,
Praharajpur, Cuttack***

.... Opp. Parties

Mr. Amitabh Pradhan,
Additional Standing Counsel

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THE HON'BLE MISS JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO

ORDER

22.07.2026

Order No.

(Through Hybrid Mode)

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1. This writ petition has been filed for issue of a writ of mandamus directing the Opposite Parties to allot a house under any of the ex-gratia scheme of the Government in favour of the Petitioner in the interest of justice and equity.
 2. The Petitioner had earlier approached this Court, seven years ago in W.P.(C) No. 12465 of 2019 which was disposed of on 01.08.2019 permitting him to file a representation before the BDO, Sadar, Cuttack within a period of two weeks and for disposal of the same in accordance with law.
 3. Mr. Subash Chandra Acharya, learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the Petitioner had filed a representation before the Opposite Party No.2 – Block Development Officer,



Sadar, Cuttack on 09.08.2019 (Annexure-2), but without any effect. He also submits that the Petitioner has filed a fresh representation on 25.02.2026 (Annexure-3), but till date no action was taken thereon, for which he has approached this Court.

4. Admittedly, more than seven years have elapsed since passing of order vide Annexure-1 and since Annexure-2 was purportedly submitted to the Opposite Party No.2 – Block Development Officer, Sadar, Cuttack.

5. Perusal of the writ petition reveals that there is no endorsement nor any document to show that the representation dated 09.08.2019 or 25.02.2026 have been submitted to the Opposite Party No.2 – Block Development Officer, Sadar, Cuttack.

6. The Writ Petition is therefore disposed of observing that if the Petitioner is eligible for allotment of a house under any of the beneficial schemes of the Government, he is at liberty to submit appropriate application along with necessary supporting documents before the Opposite Party No.2.

7. Needless to say, such application shall be considered and disposed of in accordance with law.

8. It is made clear that this Court has not gone into the merits of the claim of the Petitioner for allotment of a house.

9. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted on proper application.

(Savitri Ratho)
Judge

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