



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

FAO No. 205 of 2024

Along with

FAO No.292 of 2024

(In FAO No. 205 of 2024)

Janardan Palei & Anr. Appellant (s)

Mr. Biranchi Narayan Rath, Adv.

-versus-

Prafulla Ku Pradhan & Anr. Respondent (s)

Mr. Somnath Roy, CGC

(In FAO No. 292 of 2024)

The Deputy Manager, ... Appellant (s)

M/S Oriental Insurance Co.

Ltd Regional Office

Mr. Somnath Roy, CGC

-versus-

Janardan Palei & Ors. Respondent (s)

Mr. Biranchi Narayan Rath, Adv.

CORAM:

DR. JUSTICE SANJEEB K PANIGRAHI

Order No.

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ORDER

17.04.2026

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid arrangement.
2. Learned counsel for the parties are present. Judgment prepared in separate sheets is delivered and pronounced in open Court in the presence of learned counsel for the parties and the order is passed accordingly as follows:-
3. For the reasons discussed hereinabove, this Court is of the considered opinion that the impugned order passed by the



learned Commissioner suffers from serious legal infirmities and cannot be sustained in the eye of law. Accordingly, the appeal preferred by the Insurance Company deserves to be allowed, and the award of compensation passed in E.C. Case No.44 of 2017 is hereby set aside.

4. Consequently, the claim application filed by the claimants stands dismissed. In the facts and circumstances of the case, however, there shall be no order as to costs.
5. Accordingly, both the FAOs are disposed of.

(Dr. Sanjeeb K Panigrahi)
Judge

B. Jhankar