



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
CRLMP No.789 of 2026

Mahua Ray

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Petitioner

Ms. A. Mohapatra, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha & others

....

Opposite Parties

Mr. Sarbeswar Behera, AGA

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAİK

ORDER

22.07.2026

Order No.

04.

1. Heard learned counsel for the respective parties.
2. Instant CRLMP is filed by the petitioner for a direction to opposite party Nos.2 to 4 to conduct a fair, proper and expeditious investigation in connection with Chandrasekharpur P.S. Case No.530 of 2026 corresponding to C.T. Case No.1301 of 2026 with such other orders on the grounds stated.
3. Perused the FIR as at Annexure-1.
4. Ms. Mohapatra, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that no proper investigation has taken place with respect to all the accounts of her late husband even after lodging of the FIR.
5. Instructions have been received from the IIC of concerned P.S. as at Flags-5 & 10 and the same are gone through. Learned counsel for the State refers to one of the instructions dated 14th July, 2026 at Flag-10. It is submitted that investigation is in progress and it relates to the accounts in Bandhan Bank, State Bank of India and Axis Bank. Learned



counsel for the petitioner submits that no enquiry has been made with regard to other bank accounts maintained by the late husband of the petitioner in HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank and Kotak Mahindra Bank. Intimations received from the IIC of concerned P.S. do not reveal any such enquiry made with regard to said bank accounts. Considering the grievance of the petitioner with respect to the investigation and taking into account the instructions of the IIC, Chandrasekharpur P.S. at Flags-5 & 10, this Court is inclined to direct him to expedite the investigation and enquiry about the other accounts necessarily after summoning the petitioner and to conclude the same at the earliest, if not possible, within a reasonable time.

6. Accordingly, it is ordered.

7. In the result, the CRLMP stands disposed of with the direction to opposite party No.4 to immediately examine the accounts and other details of the late husband of the petitioner maintained by him in HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank and Kotak Mahindra Bank and to proceed with the investigation complying the directions issued hereinabove.

8. Issue urgent certified copy as per rules.

9. A copy of the order be handed over to learned AGA for the State for intimation to opposite party No.4 for compliance.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge