



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
WP(C) No. 19614 of 2026

Nibedita Dalai

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Petitioner

Mr. L.K. Mohanty, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha & Ors.

.....

Opposite Parties

Mr. C.K. Pradhan, AGA

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

21.07.2026

Order No. 04

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. On the oral prayer made by the learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner, he is permitted to correct the description of Opp. Party No. 2 in Court.
3. Heard Mr. L.K. Mohanty, learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner and Mr. C.K. Pradhan, learned Addl. Govt. Advocate appearing for the Opp. Parties.
4. The present writ petition has been filed inter alia with the following prayer:-

“It is, therefore, prayed that this Hon'ble Court may graciously be pleased to issue notice to the opp. parties calling upon them to file show cause as to why:

(i) A direction shall not be issued to quash the order of allotment dated 26.06.2026 issued by the opp. party no.3 under Annexure -3 taking into consideration the G.A Department letter dated 06.08.1986 under Annexure -4 as well as the medical reports of the petitioner under Annexure-5 series and



Annexure -6 and 7 and to allow the petitioner to continue at her present place of posting under Baripada Police District

(ii) And after hearing the parties be pleased to quash/ set aside the order of allotment dated 26.06.2026 issued by the opp. party no.3 under Annexure -3 so far it relates to the petitioner and direct the opp. parties to allow the petitioner to continue at her present place of posting.

(iii) And pass any other order/orders, direction/directions as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper.

And for this act of kindness the petitioner shall as in duty bound ever pray.”

5. It is contended that Petitioner's husband since is working at Baripada in the Odisha Fire Service, transfer of the Petitioner after creation of Rairangpur Police District to Rairangpur requires interference of this Court.

5.1. It is also contended that considering similar claim for posting of spouses in a particular place, Opp. Party No. 3 basing on the order passed by Opp. Party No. 2 on 03.07.2026, has allowed posting of 28 transferees vide order dt.05.07.2026. It is accordingly contended that since Petitioner's claim is similar to that of those 28 employees, her claim be considered by Opp. Party No. 2, in the light of order dtd.05.07.2026.

6. Learned Addl. Govt. Advocate does not dispute the consideration of 28 police personnel who have been transferred earlier to Rairangpur Police District, vide order dtd.05.07.2026 of Opp. Party



No. 3, basing on the order passed by the concerned Range on 03.07.2026.

7. Having heard learned counsel appearing for the Parties and considering the submission made, this Court while disposing the writ petition, permits the Petitioner to move an appropriate application before Opp. Party No. 2 for consideration of her grievance with regard to the posting where her husband is continuing at present.

7.1. It is observed that, if any such application is moved before Opp. Party No. 2 within a period of two (2) weeks hence, the said Opp. Party shall do well to take a lawful decision on the same within a period of two (2) weeks from the date of receipt of such application with due communication to the Petitioner.

7.2. While taking such a decision, relevancy and effect of order dtd.05.07.2026 be taken into consideration and so also the guideline governing the field.

7.3. Till a decision is taken, interim order passed earlier shall continue.

8. The writ petition accordingly stands disposed of.

(BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY)
Judge

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