



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.16654 of 2024

Sudhir Rout and Others

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Petitioners

Mr. S.C. Puspalka, Advocate

-versus-

***The Union of India and
Others***

....

Opposite Parties

Mr. A.K. Pati, ASC along with

Mr. P.K. Parhi, DSGI

CORAM:

JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

Order No.

13.08.2025

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

2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

3. The present Writ Petition has been filed *inter alia* challenging order dated 12.03.2024 so passed by the Govt.-O.P. No.2 under Annexure-10.

4. However, taking into account the stand taken in the impugned order, learned counsel for the petitioners contended that no decision being taken by the State Advisory Contract Labour Board as yet, petitioners' grievance is yet to be considered.

4.1. It is accordingly contended that O.P. No.2 be directed to take a final decision by convening a meeting of the State Advisory Contract Labour Board.

5. Learned Addl. Standing Counsel basing on the instruction contended that the Board meeting fixed to



20.03.2024 so reflected in the impugned order, could not take place due to some unavoidable circumstances. Thereafter, term of the Board since expired, a fresh Board in the meantime has been constituted vide Notification dated 03.10.2024. (Copy of the notification along with instruction produced in Court be kept in record.)

5.1. It is also contended that after re-constitution of the Board though steps were taken to convene the Board meeting, but it has not yet been materialized. It is fairly contended that since the new Board has already been constituted vide Notification dated 03.10.2024, steps will be taken to convene the meeting of the said Board to decide the issue raised by the petitioners.

6. Having heard learned counsel for the parties, considering the submissions made and taking into account the stand taken in the impugned order and the instruction provided to the Court, this Court while disposing the Writ Petition, directs O.P. No.2 to convene the meeting of the State Advisory Contract Labour Board so constituted vide Notification dated 03.10.2024, and decide the issue involved within a period of 2 (two) months from the date of receipt of this order and communicate the result thereof to petitioner No.1.

7. The Writ Petition accordingly stands disposed of.

(Biraja Prasanna Satapathy)
Judge

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