



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
WP(C) No.20492 of 2026

Rajesh Tarai

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
Jajati Keshari Khuntia

-versus-

1) state of odisha

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Opposite Parties

2) director of higher education
3) principal in charge, sanatana
harichandana (degree) mahavidyalaya

Represented by Adv. –
Mr. D. K. Sahoo, AGA

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA

ORDER

14.07.2026

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01. 1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner. Perused the writ application as well as the prayer made therein.
3. Being aggrieved by the order of rejection dated 26.12.2025 at Annexure-2, the petitioner approached this Court by filing the present writ application. The prayer of the petitioner has been rejected on the ground that the issue involved in the present case is still pending for final adjudication before Hon'ble Supreme Court on an appeal preferred by the State-Opposite Parties.
4. In view of such matters and on the request of the learned counsel for the State, he is granted six weeks'



time to obtain instruction and to file counter affidavit after serving the copy thereof on the learned counsel for the petitioner.

5. Rejoinder, if any, be filed within two weeks thereafter.

6. List this matter in the week commencing 7th September, 2026.

(ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA)

Judge

Utkalika