



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
CONTC No.4903 of 2023

Nilakantha Singh

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv.—

Mr. Biren Sankar Tripathy, Advocate

-Versus-

**Suvendu Kumar Swain, Chief Post
Master General, Odisha and another**

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Opposite Parties

Represented by Adv.—

Mr. P.K. Parhi, Deputy Solicitor General
along with Mr. Sudipto Panda, CGC

CORAM:

HON' BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

03.07.2026

Order No.

15. 1. We perceive from the conduct of the alleged contemnors that there is a scanty respect which has been shown to the judgment and order dated 18.11.2022 disposing of the writ petition i.e. W.P.(C) No.34242 of 2020 concerning the petitioner of the instant contempt application. The attempt of showing the compliance to the order gone in vain which is reflected in the order dated 25.01.2024.
2. The Division Bench did not accept the compliance affidavit to be in tune with the judgment and the order passed in the writ petition and directed the alleged contemnors to file a further compliance affidavit. Though further compliance affidavit has been filed but the tenet thereof does not reveal that the order passed in the writ petition has been complied with. There is a complete apathetic attitude shown by the



authorities taking shelter in one pretext and another which cannot be appreciated. The majesty and the sanctity of the Court's order should be preserved and the authorities cannot avoid the compliance thereof. The order has attained finality and the minimal expectation from the authorities is to secure the compliance thereof. It is a high time we should issue a RULE on the alleged contemnors to explain as to why they should not be dealt with under the provisions of the Contempt of Court's Act.

3. Let the RULE be issued upon the alleged contemnors by Registered Post/Speed Post with A.D. returnable within three weeks. Requisites for such RULE be filed within three working days.

4. The matter be listed on 31st July, 2026.

(Harish Tandon)
Chief Justice

(Biraja Prasanna Satapathy)
Judge

S.K. Jena/Sr. Secy.

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