



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.22680 of 2025

Dhanurjaya Rana & Anr. *Petitioner(s)*
Mr. Partha Sarathi Das, Adv.

-versus-

The Collector, Keonjhar & Ors. *Opposite Party(s)*
Miss Gayatri Patra, ASC

CORAM:
HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE SANJEEB K. PANIGRAHI

Order
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18.08.2025

01. 1. This matter is taken up through hybrid arrangement.
2. In filing this Writ Petition, the Petitioner alleged to be an encroacher has challenged the notice to show cause issued by the Additional Tahasildar, Sadar, Keonjhar in Encroachment Case No.4-176/2025 vide Annexure-4.
3. Heard learned counsel for the Parties.
4. Learned counsel for the State, at the outset, submits that instead of filing reply to the notice to show cause vide Annexure-4, the Petitioner has preferred this Writ Petition. Hence, the prayer made in this Writ Petition is premature.
5. Considering the above submission of learned counsel for the State, this Court directs the Petitioner to file his reply to the notice to show cause vide Annexure-4 within a period of ten working days hence. In such event, the Additional Tahasildar, Sadar, Keonjhar shall look into the reply of the

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Petitioner and pass a lawful order on the said reply of the Petitioner pertaining to the Encroachment Case No.4-176/2025 within a period of fifteen working days thereafter.

6. It is further directed that till a decision on the reply of the Petitioner is taken, no coercive action shall be taken against the Petitioner pursuant to the impugned notice vide Annexure-4 pertaining to Encroachment Case No.4-176/2025.

7. This Writ Petition is, accordingly, disposed of.

(Dr. Sanjeeb K. Panigrahi)
Judge

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