



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.22661 of 2025

Dr. Kumuda Ch. Satapathy **Petitioner**

Mr. S.K. Mohanty, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha & Others **Opp. Parties**

Mr. S.B. Mohanty, AGA

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIXIT KRISHNA SHRIPAD

Order
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ORDER
20.08.2025

01. The petitioner is knocking at the doors of Writ Court with the following prayers:

“It is therefore, humbly prayed that this Hon’ble Court may be graciously pleased to admit the Writ petition, after hearing both the sides may be pleased to issue Writ of Mandamus/certiorari or any other Writ or direction which will be deem fit and proper to this case by directing the Opp. Party No.1 to pass a speaking order on the grievance of the petitioner within a stipulated time with regard to the promotion of the petitioner to the post of Lecturer in Botany.”

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the Governing Council of the institution in question, vide resolution dated 14.09.2023, a copy whereof avails at Annexure-1, have recommended the case of his client for promotion to the post to Demonstrator (Botany); in terms of the said resolution, his client has already submitted a representation dated 12.08.2024, copy whereof avails at Annexure-2, and though more than a year has lapsed, no



decision is taken by opposite party no.1, who is bound to take a decision on a normative basis.

3. Learned AGA, accepting notice for the O.Ps., resists the petition for some time on the ground that right to promotion does not avail, although right to consideration the candidature for promotion may avail, agrees to instruct his officials to look into the grievance of the petitioner in accordance with law and in a time bound manner. With this proposal, learned counsel for the petitioner is agreeable.

In the above circumstances, the Writ Petition is disposed of. The decision to be taken on the subject representation, in the light of the Governing Council resolution, within an outer limit of eight weeks, which would include communication of the result of consideration to the petitioner. All contentions are kept open.

It is open to the answering opposite parties to solicit any information or documents from the side of the Petitioner, as required for taking a decision on the subject representation. However, in that guise delay shall not be brooked.

Now, no costs.

Web copy of this order to be acted upon by all concerned.

(Dixit Krishna Shripad)
Judge

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