



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WA No.1403 of 2025

Papun Dash

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Applicant

Represented by Adv.-

In person

-versus-

State of Odisha & Ors.

....

Opp. Parties

Represented by Adv.-
Mr. J.K. Khandayatray, ASC

CORAM:

**JUSTICE DIXIT KRISHNA SHRIPAD
JUSTICE CHITTARANJAN DASH**

**ORDER
13.01.2026**

I.A. No. 47 of 2026

**Order No.
03.**

Application in I.A No.47 of 2026 supported by an affidavit seeks impleadment of certain persons as Opposite Party Nos.2 to 455 to the petition.

Issue emergent notice to proposed Opposite Party Nos.2 to 455 by speed post with A.D., returnable within four weeks, requisites for which shall be filed within three working days.

2. Petitioner party-in person seeks interdiction of the recruitment process in question on the ground that there is gross discrimination of male candidates' quo female candidates. He also tells us that relaxation was accorded in the matter of recruitment to PMT Driver and Odisha



Police District Constable for four years but in case of SI of Police for three years and therefore, such relaxation needs to be accorded in this case as well.

3. Learned ASC Mr. Khandayatray appearing for official Opposite Parties opposes the petition contending that the ongoing recruitment process cannot be halted, since there is dearth of hands in the public service, which in turn is affecting the public interest, and therefore, no prejudice would be caused to anyone, if said recruitment is made subject to *lis pendens*. We agree with this view.

Call this matter after notice is served on all the proposed Opposite Parties.

Web copy of order to be acted by all concerned.

(Dixit Krishna Shripad)
Judge

(Chittaranjan Dash)
Judge

Prasanta