



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No.8631 of 2026

Radhamohan Samantaray

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
Srikanta Mahunta

-versus-

1) state of odisha

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Opposite Parties

2) the director, odisha primary
education programme authority
(opepa)

Represented by Adv. –

Mr. D.K. Sahoo, AGA

3) collector -cum- chairman, sarva
sikshya aviyan, cuttack

4) district project co-ordinator,
cuttack

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA

ORDER

24.03.2026

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
 2. Heard learned counsel for the Parties.
 3. Issue emergent notice. Learned AGA -Mr. Sahoo, on request of the Court, accepts notice for all OPs. Required number of copies of the writ petition with all the documents be served on him within three working days.
 4. Pleadings to be completed within eight weeks. Call immediately thereafter.
 5. Learned counsel for the Petitioner draws attention of the Court to the Coordinate Bench order No.4 dated 18.12.2024 passed in W.P.(C)



No.23984 of 2017, wherein a post was directed to be kept vacant and therefore, in this case also similar interim protection should be granted. There is some force in this submission.

6. In the above circumstances, the jurisdictional OPs are directed to keep one post un-filled during the pendency of the petition. If there is high urgency of filling, it shall be subject to *lis pendens*.

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

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

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