



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
W.P.(C) Nos.25328, 25334, 26036, 26373 & 26379 of
2025

Surya Narayan Mohanty

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Petitioner

Mr. K.K. Nayak, Advocate

-versus-

***State of Odisha and
Others***

....

Opposite Parties

Mr. C.K. Pradhan, AGA

CORAM:
JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER
23.09.2025

Order No.

- 02.** 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical) Mode.
2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioners contended that petitioners were all Ex-STs employees and were deputed towards OSRTC where they continued till their retirement. It is contended that earlier while extending the benefit of ORSP Rules, 1998, when the Corporation took a decision to extend the same w.e.f. 16.02.2009 in place of 01.01.1996, the matter was challenged before this Court and subsequently in Writ Appeal.
- 3.1. However, Govt. taking into account the fact that the petitioners are all Ex-STs employees, extended the benefit of ORSP Rules, 1998 w.e.f. 01.01.1996 vide the Communication issued on 12.04.2021 under Annexure-2.



4. On the face of such extension of the benefit of ORSP Rules, 1998 w.e.f. 01.01.1996 when Corporation took a decision to extend the benefit of ORSP Rules, 2008 w.e.f. 01.04.2012 in place of 01.01.2006, petitioners raised their claim to get the benefit from 01.01.2006. However, without taking into consideration the relevancy and effect of the decision taken under Annexure-2 in extending the benefit of ORSP Rules, 1998 from 01.01.1996, claim of the petitioners has been rejected vide different orders passed by the Govt. in the Commerce and Transport Department.

5. It is contended that since on the face of the action taken by the Corporation in extending the benefit of ORSP Rules, 1998 from 16.02.2009 in place of 01.01.1996, such claim of the petitioners was allowed by the Govt. vide Communication dated 12.04.2021 under Annexure-2, similar claim to get the benefit of ORSP Rules, 2008 from 01.01.2006 in place of 01.04.2012, should have been allowed. However, without proper appreciation of the communication issued under Annexure-2, claim of the petitioner has been rejected.

6. Learned Addl. Govt. Advocate is directed to obtain instruction on the issue.

7. As requested, list these matters in the week commencing 27.10.2025 along with records of W.P.(C) Nos.25423, 25506 & 26269 of 2025.

(Biraja Prasanna Satapathy)
Judge