



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
W.P.(C) No.27678 of 2025

Pravat Chandra Behera

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. –
Mr. Dipti Ranjan Bhokta

-versus-

***Utkal University, Bhubaneswar
and others***

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Opposite Parties

Mr. T.N. Patnaik, Advocate
for O.P. No.1 & 2

CORAM:
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA
ORDER
08.04.2026

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03. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
2. Mr. T.N. Patnaik, learned counsel appearing for the Opposite Parties No.1 and 2-University, at the outset, contended that he has already filed Vakalatnama and needs some more time to obtain instruction and file reply affidavit.
3. Learned counsel for the Petitioner produced a copy of the judgment dated 10.09.2025 passed by a coordinate Bench of this Court in W.P.(C) No.23919 of 2023 (in the matter of *Ananta Kumar Nayak v. The*



Registrar, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar & Others).

He further contended that the case of the Petitioner is squarely covered by the ratio laid down by the coordinate Bench in ***Ananta Kumar Nayak's*** case (supra).

4. A copy of the said judgment is handed over to the learned counsel for the Opposite Parties No.1 & 2, who shall also obtain instruction as to whether the case of the Petitioner is covered by the ratio laid down in the above noted judgment.

5. List this matter in the week commencing 4th May, 2026.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

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