



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No.29491 of 2023

Pravat Kumar Pattanaik

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
Abani Kanta Dash

-versus-

State Of Orissa and others

.....

Opposite Parties

Mr. D.K. Sahoo, AGA

CORAM:

**THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR
MOHAPATRA**

ORDER

27.02.2026

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid mode.
 2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
 3. Learned counsel for both the parties agreed that the issue involved in this writ petition is analogues to one involved in O.A. No. 1668 of 2017 (*Ashok Kumar Mohapatra v. State of Orissa*), which was disposed of by the Odisha Administrative Tribunal vide judgment dated 09.10.2018 and confirmed by this Court in W.P.(C) No.6698 of 2020 and further confirmed by the apex Court in SLP(C) No.15573 of 2020.
 4. In view of the above and considering the limited prayer to consider the case of the petitioner in the light of the judgment rendered in *Ashok Kumar Mohapatra (supra)*, this writ petition stands disposed of directing the competent authority to dispose of the case of the petitioner applying the decision rendered in the case



of ***Ashok Kumar Mohapatra*** (*supra*) by undertaking the entire exercise within a period of two months from the date of communication of the order. In such view of the matter, the impugned order dated 12.03.2018 under Annexure-4 to the writ petition is unsustainable in law. Accordingly, the same is hereby set aside and the matter is remanded back to the authority for fresh consideration in terms of the judgment in ***Ashok Kumar Mohapatra*** (*supra*).

5. Petitioner is directed to serve an extra copy of the brief on learned State Counsel for School & Mass Education Department for communication purpose.

(***Aditya Kumar Mohapatra***)
Judge

S.K. Rout