



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No. 32628 of 2026

CNR No. ODHC010760502026

Nirmala Mondal & Ors.

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Petitioners

Mr. A.C. Behera, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha & Ors.

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Opposite Parties

Mr. S. Das, ASC

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

13.10.2026

Order No. 01

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. At the outset, learned counsel for the Petitioner contended that the writ petition be confined to Petitioner No. 1 only and liberty be given to file separate writ petitions in respect of other Petitioners. Such prayer is allowed.
3. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel appearing for the Opp. Parties.
4. Petitioner has filed the present writ petition inter alia with the following prayer:-

“Therefore, it is respectfully prayed that this Hon'ble Court may graciously be pleased to Admit this Writ Petition, issue rule Nisi for calling upon opp. Parties particularly Opp. Party No. 4 for show cause as to why the direction will not be issued for accepting the property statement/property return through offline mode in order to place the names of the petitioners in the choice locking notification dtd.21.09.2026. This Hon'ble Court be pleased to make its rule absolute if the said opp. Party



fails to submit sufficient cause or show insufficient cause and after hearing from the parties, this Hon'ble court may direct in the writ of Mandamus to the opp. Parties particularly to the Opp. Party No. 4-CDM & PHO, Nabarangpur to accept property statement /property return of the petitioners for the year 2025-26 through off line mode and place the names of the petitioners in the choice locking notification dtd.21.09.2026 enabling them to get promotion to the next higher post for the interest of justice and equity.

This Hon'ble Court be pleased to pass any order(s) may direct any direction as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit just and proper in this case.

And for this act of kindness the petitioners are in duty bound shall ever pray.”

5. However, taking into account the claim raised in the present Writ Petition, liberty is granted to the Petitioner to make a fresh representation before Opp. Party No. 4 by enclosing all the relevant documents and citations in support of his claim, if any, within a period of three (3) weeks hence.

6. It is observed that if such representation is filed within the aforesaid time period, Opp. Party No. 4 shall do well to take a lawful decision on the same within a period of three (3) months from the date of receipt of such representation. The order so passed by Opp. Party No. 4 be communicated to the Petitioner.

7. With the aforesaid observation and direction, the Writ Petition is disposed of.

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(BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY)
Judge