



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No.31020 of 2025

Dr. Banambar Prusty

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv. -
Dr. Binoda Kumar
Mishra

-versus-

1) State Of Odisha

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Opposite Parties

2) Director Of Higher Education, bbsr
3) Adm Cum President Governing
Budy ,nayagarh
4) Principal-cum-secretary, Nayagarh
Autonomus College, Nayagarh,

Represented by Adv. -
Mr. D.K.Sahoo, A.G.A.

CORAM:

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

ORDER

Order No.

10.02.2026

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
 2. The short question involved in the present writ application pertains to the approval of order of suspension dated 17.01.2025, whereby the Petitioner was placed under suspension by virtue of an order passed by the Principal-cum-Secretary of Nayagarh Autonomous College pursuant to the order of the President of the Governing Body of the College.
 3. Learned counsel for the Petitioner, at the outset, contended that as per the Rule 20(1)(e) of the 1974 Rules, the order of suspension is required to be approved by the Government within thirty days from the date of passing of such order. He further alleged that the order of suspension has not been approved by the Government. Therefore, the



same is a nullity in the eye of law.

4. Learned Additional Government advocate sought for some time to obtain instruction in the matter positively.
5. List this matter in the week commencing 23rd February, 2026.

(A.K. Mohapatra)

Judge

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