



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CONTC No. 7031 of 2022

Pratap Keshari Singh Bariha and ... Petitioners
others

None

-versus-

Akshya Kumar Bag, Tahasildar, ... Opposite Party
Paikmal

Mr. Swayambhu Mishra,
Additional Standing Counsel

CORAM:
JUSTICE K.R. MOHAPATRA

Order No.

ORDER
02.05.2025

4. 1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. This Contempt Petition has been filed alleging non-compliance of order dated 1st December, 2021 passed in W.P.(C) No.26601 of 2021.
3. None appears for the Petitioners at the time of call.
4. Compliance affidavit has been filed by Tahasildar, Paikmal stating, *inter alia*, that W.P.(C) No.26601 of 2021 was disposed of on 1st December, 2021 with a direction to the Tahasildar, Paikmal/Opposite Party No.2 therein to consider and dispose of the petition dated 17th May, 2021 filed by the Petitioners under Section 43 (1) of the Odisha Land Reforms Act, 1960, in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of four months from the date of production of certified copy of the said order.
- 4.1 It is further submitted that Tahasildar, Paikmal joined her post on 17th October, 2023. But due to various work assignments



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in connection with General Election, 2024, disposal of the case was delayed. However, the original case record not being available, a part case record was opened assigning the original case number and the case was taken up for hearing after issuing fresh notice to the parties. Thereafter, on 26th December, 2024, the land holder/writ Petitioners and beneficiaries were present for hearing of the case and the case was finally disposed of on 17th January, 2025 rejecting the prayer of the Petitioners after considering all facts and documentary evidence. A copy of such order dated 17th January, 2025 passed in OLR Celling Case No.1555/1976 and 3984/976 is also annexed to the compliance affidavit as Annexure-A/2.

5. In view of the compliance affidavit filed and there being none to oppose the same, the Contempt Proceeding is dropped.

(K.R. Mohapatra)
Judge