



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
W.P.(C)No.32174 of 2025

Ratnakar Swain

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Petitioner

Mr. G.R. Sethi, Adv.

-versus-

Union of India & Others

....

Opposite Parties

Mr. P.K. Parhi, DSGI

CORAM:
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

Order
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16.12.2025

4. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical) Mode.
2. Pursuant to order dt.12.12.2025, learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner produced the copy of the postal receipt showing service of Annexure-4 on Opp. Party No.2 by Speed Post on 28.07.2025. Copy of the postal receipt was filed along with a memo be kept on record.
3. Heard learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner and Mr. K. Panda, learned CGC appearing along with Mr. P.K. Parhi, learned DSGI.
4. The present Writ Petition has been filed inter alia with the following prayer:

It is therefore humbly prayed that this Hon'ble Court may graciously be pleased to admit the



case, call for the records and after hearing both the parties pass the following reliefs.

(i) to quash the order dt.04.04.2025 under Annexure-4.

(ii) To direct the Opposite Parties to reinstate the Petitioner in his service with all financial and consequential benefits flowing from quashing the dismissal order.

And pass such other order/orders as may be deemed fit and proper for the interest of justice.

And for this act of kindness, the Petitioner is in duty bound shall ever pray.

5. It is contended that against the order of punishment passed in a Disciplinary Proceeding vide order dt.4.4.2025 under Annexure-3,. Petitioner though has preferred an appeal before Opp. Party No.2 by Speed Post on 28.07.2025, but the same is yet to be disposed of in accordance with law. It is accordingly contended that Opp. Party No.2 be directed to take a decision on the appeal filed by the Petitioner under Annexure-4.

6. Mr. K. Panda, learned Central Govt. Counsel on the other hand contended that since the appeal has only been filed in the month of July, 2025 and sufficient time has not been given, and no time stipulation be made while directing for its consideration.

7. Having heard learned counsel appearing for the parties and considering the submission made, this Court directs Opp. Party No.2 to dispose of the appeal



under Annexure-4 as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of 6(six) months from the date of receipt of this order, if there is no other legal impediment.

8. The Wri Petition accordingly stands disposed of.

(Biraja Prasanna Satapathy)
Judge

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