



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No. 32157 of 2025

Shantilata Barik

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Petitioner

Mr. Pradeepta Kumar Swain, Advocate

-versus-

- 1. State of Odisha,**
represented through its
Commissioner-Cum-
Secretary, Revenue & Disaster
Management Department
- 2. Collector-cum-District
Magistrate, Khordha**
- 3. Tahasildar, Jatni**
- 4. Sudhir Barik**
- 5. Raghunath Bhoi**
- 6. Bipin Barik**

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Opposite Parties

*Mr. Manmaya Kumar Dash,
Additional Standing Counsel
(For Opposite Parties No.1 to 3)*

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MISS JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO

ORDER
18.12.2025

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(Through hybrid mode)

1. This writ petition has been filed praying for a direction to Opposite Party No.3-Tahasildar, Jatni to dispose of the representation dated 14.07.2025 under Annexure-2, filed by the Petitioner, within a stipulated date by making necessary enquiry.



2. Mr. P.K. Swain, learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the Petitioner is a marfatdar of the deity Shree Shree Akhandalamani Dev, Kantilo and Opposite Party No.4-Sudhir Barik has made unauthorized construction over the deity's land and is creating disturbances while Opposite Party No.5-Raghunath Bhoi has kept firewood and other articles over the land and is not allowing the Petitioner to construct the boundary wall. Opposite Party No.6-Bipin Barik has taken his waste/sewerage pipes over the temple premises causing unhygienic environment. Although the Petitioner has submitted an application before the Tahasildar stating these things but no action has been taken on the same.

3. Mr. M.K. Dash, learned Additional Standing Counsel submits that grievance of the Petitioner can be met if he files an application before the Assistant Commissioner of Endowments under Section 68 of the Orissa Hindu Religious Endowment Act.

4. Mr. P.K. Swain, learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that he shall submit the grievance application before the Assistant Commissioner of Endowments, Bhubaneswar within a period of 15 days.

5. Considering the submissions of the learned counsel, the writ application is disposed of, directing that if such application is



filed before the Assistant Commissioner of Endowments, Bhubaneswar as undertaken, it is expected that the latter shall take steps in accordance with law for redressal of the grievance of the Petitioner and protection of the property of the deity expeditiously.

(Savitri Ratho)
Judge

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