



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No.34588 of 2025

Pravat Nalini Mohapatra

....

Petitioner

Mr. Santanu Kumar Sarangi, Senior Advocate
assisted by Mr. Arun Kumar Nayak, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and others

.... ***Opposite Parties***

Mr. Sanjay Rath, AGA

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MURAHARI SRI RAMAN

Order No.

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ORDER

25.02.2026

1. The petitioner has come up before this Court challenging the order dated 16th August, 2024 passed by the Additional Commissioner, Additional Revision Court-IV, Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

1.1. It is submitted that though the Revisional Authority recorded that the property in question is transferred to the petitioner by way of execution of Registered Sale Deed bearing No.2985 dated 20th April, 2009 duly permitted in exercise of power under Section 22 of the Odisha Land Reforms Act, 1960, the scheduled land stands recorded as “*abada jogya anabadi*”; therefore, instead of directing for correct maintenance of the Record-of-Right, the Revisional Authority on flimsy ground, that the petitioner did not submit waste land lease record in support of his claim, rejected the revision petition.

2. Learned Senior Advocate appearing for the petitioner submitted that such lease record is in custody of the revenue



authorities. The same could have very well been verified by calling for such record.

2.1. Learned Senior Advocate, by furnishing certain documents enclosed to a memo in Court today, after serving a copy thereof on the learned Additional Government Advocate appearing for the State, relied on a Field Enquiry/Status Report conducted by the Revenue Inspector, Ghatikia as submitted to the Tahasildar *vide* Letter No.782, dated 27th December, 2023, and submitted that said document unambiguously indicates that the petitioner is in possession of the land in question. He also referred to a document, *i.e.*, Intimation Slip for Conversion of Land under Section 8A of the Odisha Land Reforms Act, 1960 issued in Form-K, which is also annexed with the said memo, by which the Tahasildar on 30th May, 2011 acknowledged the possession of the petitioner over the scheduled land. The said memo is taken on record for future reference.

3. At this stage, learned Additional Government Advocate seeks time to obtain instruction in this regard.

4. List this matter in the week commencing 16th March, 2026.

(M.S. Raman)
Judge

Laxmikant