



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CONTC No.5789 of 2025

Tanuja Patra

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Petitioner

Represented by

Mr. M.K. Mohanty, Advocate

-Versus-

***Dr. N. Thirumala Naik, I.A.S.,
Commissioner-cum-Secretary, School &
Mass Education Department & Others***

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***Opp. Parties
Represented by***

***Mr. S.N. Patnaik,
Additional Government Advocate***

CORAM:

JUSTICE SASHIKANTA MISHRA

ORDER

05.08.2026

**CONTC Nos.5789, 4795, 4909, 5808, 5809,
5811, 5844, 5865, 5866, 5888, 5894 & 6084 of 2025
& 131, 446 & 593 of 2026**

Order No.

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1. These matters are taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Despite clear order passed on the last occasion, the Commissioner-cum-Secretary has not appeared in person. He appears virtually without seeking any modification of the previous order or permission to appear virtually.
3. Further, the order passed by this Court to at least provisionally comply with the order pending disposal of the Writ Appeal remains non-implemented. No reason is put forth to justify such continued inaction. This is a serious disregard of the order passed by this Court and cannot be countenanced in law.
4. List this matter tomorrow (06.08.2026).



5. The personal appearance of the Commissioner-cum-Secretary is dispensed with till tomorrow.

(Sashikanta Mishra)
Judge

LATER

1. Mr. S.N. Patnaik, learned Additional Government Advocate furnishes the copy of the order dated 05.08.2026 issued by the Department of School and Mass Education Department stating that a decision has been taken to implement the common judgment dated 05.04.2025 passed by this Court in the batch of Writ Petitions provisionally subject to the outcome of the pending Writ Appeals. The same be kept on record.

2. In view of such development, three weeks further time is allowed to the Opposite Party-Contemnor to fully carry out the decision taken by them.

3. The personal appearance of the Commissioner-cum-Secretary is dispensed with till 2nd September, 2026. It is made clear that if the decision as per order dated 05.08.2026 referred above is fully carried out, the Commissioner-cum-Secretary need not appear.

4. List this matter on 2nd September, 2026.

(Sashikanta Mishra)
Judge