



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.34853 of 2025

Kartik Sahu

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Petitioner(s)

Mr. Braja Mohan Sarangi, Adv.

-versus-

R.T.O, Angul

....

Opposite Party(s)

Mr. Pravakar Behera, SC

for the Transport Department

CORAM:

HON'BLE DR.JUSTICE SANJEEB K PANIGRAHI

Order

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10.12.2025

01. 1. This matter is taken up through hybrid arrangement.
2. In filing this Writ Petition, the Petitioner claiming himself to be the registered owner of the vehicle in question bearing registration No.OD-19-S-5584, has sought for a direction from this Court to the R.T.O, Angul for releasing the said vehicle in question.
3. Heard.
4. Mr. Pravakar Behera, learned Standing Counsel for the Transport Department submits that in view of the provision under Section 192(A) and 194 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, the Petitioner is required to appear before the Authority who has issued the VCR and pray for transmission of the record to the jurisdictional magistrate, if he wants to contest the case. The Petitioner has not yet



appeared before the authority concerned and made such prayer. Since the Challan/ VCR amount in total is Rs.52,860/- (Rupees Fifty-two thousand eight hundred sixty only), the Petitioner may be directed to deposit 50% of the same and contest the case before the jurisdictional Magistrate. He, accordingly, submits that the Petitioner is required to produce the original driving license of the driver of the offending vehicle for taking appropriate action.

5. Taking into consideration the submissions of the learned counsel for the parties, this Court without prejudice to the case of either parties, directs that in the event the Petitioner deposits 50% of the VCR amount before the concerned R.T.O, the e-Challan/VCR shall be transmitted to the jurisdictional Magistrate for adjudication in accordance with law, if not already transmitted. It is made clear that such deposit, if made, as directed above, shall be subject to the result of the adjudication to be made by the jurisdictional Magistrate.

6. So far as issuance of fitness certificate and permit is concerned; the Petitioner may apply for the same before the concerned R.T.O by filing necessary application, which shall be considered in accordance with law.



7. With the aforesaid observation and direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of.

(Dr. Sanjeeb K Panigrahi)
Judge

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