



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WPCRL No.166 of 2025

Mitali Choudhury

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Petitioner

Represented by Adv.–
Mr. Saroj Kumar Swain, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha and others

....

Opposite Parties

Represented by Adv.–
Ms. Biswabara Dash, Additional Standing Counsel

**CORAM:
HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
AND
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MURAHARI SRI RAMAN**

Order No.

**ORDER
23.02.2026**

04. 1. This is an application under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of *habeas corpus* alleging that the minor girl, who was living in a hostel was found missing. Immediately, the petitioner approached various relatives, but subsequently heard that one person has kidnapped her. Immediately, the FIR was lodged and perceiving no action having taken by the Police administration, the present writ petition came to be filed.



2. Learned Additional Standing Counsel for the State-opposite parties submits that the girl has been rescued and was produced before the Child Welfare Committee (CWC) and was initially directed to be placed in a safe home and subsequently, the CWC directed the custody of the child to be given to the mother as she is residing with her.

3. Since the child has already been rescued and integrated to the family, no purpose would be subserved by directing the physical presence of the said minor child.

4. In view of the facts narrated hereinabove, the writ petition is disposed of.

(Harish Tandon)
Chief Justice

(M.S. Raman)
Judge

S.K. Guin/PA