



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.A. No. 3440 of 2024

State of Odisha and another *Appellants*
Mr. Saroj Kumar Jee, AGA

-versus-

Akshya Kumar Chuli and Others *Respondents*
Mr. Atul Tripathy, Advocate

CORAM:
JUSTICE KRISHNA SHRIPAD DIXIT
JUSTICE CHITTARANJAN DASH

Order No.

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ORDER
25.02.2026

I.A. No.8855 of 2024

The Appeal has been filed after brooking a long delay of 1168 days; learned counsel for the Respondent-employees is more than justified in opposing the prayer for its condonation on the ground of enormity of longevity of delay and absence of plausible explanation therefor.

Therefore, the application in I.A. No.8855 of 2024 being devoid of merits is liable to be rejected and accordingly it is.

(Krishna Shripad Dixit)
Judge

(Chittaranjan Dash)
Judge



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The subject matter of this Appeal is substantially similar to the one in Writ Appeal No.777 of 2021 and other connected matters between *State of Odisha vs. Patitapaban Dutta Dash* heard & decided by a coordinate Bench of this Court vide judgment dated 12.04.2023 whereby a learned Single Judge's order dated 09.09.2021 entered in WPC No.19951 of 2020 between *Patitapaban Dutta Dash vs. State of Odisha* has been affirmed. We are told at the Bar that this matter was carried further to the Apex Court in SLP(C) No.17482 of 2023 which was dismissed on 12.11.2025.

In the above circumstances, the Appeal being absolutely unmeritorious is liable to be rejected and accordingly it is, costs having been made easy. The impugned order of the learned Single Judge is to be implemented within eight weeks.

(Krishna Shripad Dixit)
Judge

(Chittaranjan Dash)
Judge