



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.38092 of 2023

Prativa Bariki

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Petitioner

Mr. S.K. Pradhan (3), Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha & Anr.

....

Opposite Parties

Mr.C.K. Pradhan, AGA

Mr. A. Behera, Adv. for O.P.4

CORAM:

JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

19.02.2026

Order No.

- 08.** 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical) Mode.
- 2.** Heard learned counsel appearing for the Parties.
- 3.** Learned counsel appearing for the Commission contended that basing on the order passed by the Tribunal on a similar issue in O.A. No.3633(C) of 2015 and batch so disposed of vide order dtd.22.03.2016 prorata system of marking is being followed by the Commission and the same was also followed in the instant case.
- 4.** It is contended that since in the recruitment in question one wrong question was put, by applying the



prorate system of marking the candidate were given 100 mark in respect of 99 questions in place of 100 questions, Petitioner since secured only 99.515 mark and the cut-off mark was 100.00 mark, Petitioner's name was not recommended.

4.1. It is also contended that all those candidates who qualified, numbering 131 in UR category, were recommended by the Commission.

5. Learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner on the other hand contended that Petitioner even though has made an application under RTI, but his answer sheet and the mark secured by him is not being provided by the Commission.

5.1. It is also contended by the learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner that all those recommended candidates have not joined and vacancy is available at present.

6. Considering the submissions made, this Court directs learned counsel appearing for the Commission to produce the answer sheet of the Petitioner before this Court in a sealed cover on the next date.

Learned Addl. Government Advocate is also directed to obtain instruction as to whether all the candidates recommended by the Commission in UR category have joined or not.



7. On the request made by the learned counsel appearing for the State and the Commission, list this matter on 10th March, 2026.

In the meantime let a copy of the Writ Petition along with counter and other documents be provided to learned Addl. Government Advocate by tomorrow (20.02.2026).

Subrat

(Biraja Prasanna Satapathy)
Judge