



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CRLREV No.62 of 2026

Martand Shardul

....

Petitioner

Mr. S.R. Mahapatra, Advocate

-versus-

Meera Kanungo

....

Opposite Party

Ms. S. Pattnaik, Advocate

Mr. S. Panigrahi, ASC

CORAM: JUSTICE V. NARASINGH

ORDER

31.03.2026

Order No.

- 07.** 1. During the course of hearing in the light of the judgment of the Apex Court in the case of **Shalu Ojha v. Prashant Ojha** reported in **(2015) 2 SCC 99**, the counsels are requested to address this Court on the question of maintainability. Paragraph-19 of the said judgment is extracted hereunder for convenience of reference:

"xxx xxx xxx"

19. It can be seen from the DV Act that no further appeal or revision is provided to the High Court or any other court against the order of the Sessions Court under Section 29. It is in the background of the abovementioned scheme of the DV Act that this case is required to be considered. The appellant made



a complaint under Section 12 of the DV Act. The Magistrate in exercise of his jurisdiction granted maintenance to the appellant. The Magistrate's legal authority to pass such an order is traceable to Section 20(1)(d) of the DV Act.

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(Emphasized)

2. List this matter on 15.04.2026.
3. Interim order passed earlier shall continue till the next date.

(V. NARASINGH)
Judge

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