



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
WP(C) PIL No.31 of 2026

Jayanta Kumar Rout and others ... *Petitioners*
Mr. Lalatendu Samantaray, Advocate
-Versus-
State of Odisha and others ... *Opposite Parties*
Mr. Debashis Tripathy, AGA

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

ORDER
11.03.2026

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02. 1. Pursuant to the order dated 3rd February, 2026, the State seeks leave to file an affidavit, which, according to the learned Additional Government Advocate, is restricted to the District-Balasore. However, the affidavit concerning the Mayurbhanj District is otherwise ready and may be filed by tomorrow (12th March, 2026). The copy of the said affidavit is served upon the learned counsel for the petitioners in Court today.
2. Leave is granted to the State to file an affidavit concerning the Mayurbhanj District by tomorrow (12th March, 2026) and the copy whereof shall be served upon the learned counsel for the petitioner immediately after affirmation.
3. List this matter on 25th March, 2026.

(Harish Tandon)
Chief Justice

(M.S. Raman)
Judge