

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

I.A.NO.2 OF 2009

IN

WRIT PETITION(C) No.443 OF 2006

STATE OF ORISSA ... Appellant(s)

Versus

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA & ANR. ... Respondent(s)

ORDER

1. This application (IA.2/09) has been filed on behalf of the Union of India for extension of time for constitution of the Water Disputes Tribunal in terms of the order passed by this Court on 6th February, 2009. In the said application, a prayer was made for granting six months' time to implement the said order. Incidentally, the said application was made on 28th July, 2009, and the time of six months' time is almost over. On the other hand, a 'Status Report' has been submitted as to the action taken for constitution of the Tribunal and a further four to six month's time has been asked for.

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2. In our view, the applicant has not been proceeding in the matter with the diligence which was required and the very fact that a further six months' time is being asked for today, although, the application was filed on 28th July, 2009, is rather disconcerting.

3. However, having regard to what has been stated in the 'Status Report', the time for implementing the order dated 6th February, 2009, is extended till the month of February, 2010.

4. The application is disposed of, accordingly.

