

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No. 10357/2024)**

**ODISHA UNIVERSITY OF
AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY & ANR. APPELLANT(S)**

VERSUS

PRABHAT KUMAR PADHI & ORS. RESPONDENT(S)

WITH

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No. 12469/2024)**

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.9005/2024)**

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No. /2025)
Arising from Diary No(s). 10904/2024**

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.9055/2024)**

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.13946/2024)**

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.9588/2024)**

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.10359/2024)**

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.11535/2024)**

**CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.10358/2024)**

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(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.10360/2024)**

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(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.10361/2024)

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(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.19908/2024)

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(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.24976/2024)

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(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.12187/2024)

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(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.19879/2024)

CIVIL APPEAL NO. _____ OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.12467/2024)

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(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.12468/2024)

CIVIL APPEAL NO. _____ OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.19786/2024)

CIVIL APPEAL NO. _____ OF 2025
(ARISING FROM SLP(C) No.13945/2024)

O R D E R

1. Delay condoned.
2. Heard the learned counsel for the parties and perused the relevant material.
3. The Division Bench declined to condone

the delay in filing *intra* court appeal(s) on the ground of delay of approximately 100 to 115 days.

4. Learned counsel for the appellants has placed before us numerous orders passed by this Court wherein such similar orders passed by the High Court dismissing the writ appeal(s) on the ground of delay have been set aside and the matter(s) have been remitted to the High Court for deciding the appeal(s) on merits after condoning the delay.

5. Learned counsel appearing for the respondent(s) has made desperate efforts to convince the Court to look into the order(s) passed by the Single Judge, but since the Division Bench itself has not examined the same, we are not inclined to examine the order(s) passed by the learned Single Judge on its merits. Let the Division Bench first decide the appeal(s) on merits.

6. Accordingly, we allow these appeal(s), set aside the impugned order(s), condone the delay in filing the writ appeal(s) and direct the registry of the High Court to register the

appeal(s) on the regular side and the Division Bench of the High Court to hear and decide the appeal(s) on merits.

7. It goes without saying that both sides shall cooperate before the High Court in the early disposal of the appeal(s) on merits.

....., J.
(VIKRAM NATH)

....., J.
(PRASHANT KUMAR MISHRA)

NEW DELHI;
SEPTEMBER 22, 2025.

ITEM NO.43

COURT NO.3

SECTION XI-A

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s). 10357/2024

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 18-10-2023
in WA No. 2567/2023 passed by the High Court of Orissa at Cuttack]

ODISHA UNIVERSITY OF
AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY & ANR.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

PRABHAT KUMAR PADHI & ORS.

Respondent(s)

WITH

SLP(C) No. 12469/2024 (XI-A)
IA No. 112616/2024 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED
JUDGMENT

SLP(C) No. 9005/2024 (XI-A)

Diary No(s). 10904/2024 (XI-A)
IA No. 82787/2025 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING
IA No. 82788/2025 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN REFILING / CURING THE
DEFECTS

SLP(C) No. 9055/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 13946/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 9588/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 10359/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 11535/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 10358/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 10360/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 10361/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 19908/2024 (XI-A)
FOR ADMISSION and I.R.

SLP(C) No. 24976/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 13947/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 19904/2024 (XI-A)
FOR ADMISSION

SLP(C) No. 11040/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 12187/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 19879/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 12467/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 12468/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 19786/2024 (XI-A)

SLP(C) No. 13945/2024 (XI-A)

Date : 22-09-2025 These matters were called on for hearing today.

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

Delay condoned.

Leave granted.

The appeals are allowed in terms of the signed
order.

Pending application(s) shall stand disposed of.

(NEETU KHAJURIA)
ASST.REGISTRAR-CUM-PS

(RANJANA SHAILEY)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

(Signed order is placed on the file.)