

ITEM NO.21 + 25

COURT NO.6

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

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) Diary No(s). 11306/2024

(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

DR. PRABHAT KUMAR PADHI & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No.88569/2024-CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING)

WITH

Diary No(s). 12594/2024 (XI-A)

(IA No.91976/2024-CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING)

Diary No(s). 12550/2024 (XI-A)

(IA No.95668/2024-CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING)

Diary No(s). 12628/2024 (XI-A)

(FOR ADMISSION and I.R. and IA No.93217/2024-CONDONATION OF DELAY
IN FILING)

WITH

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) Diary No(s). 12646/2024 [Item No.25]

Date : 26-04-2024 These petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HRISHIKESH ROY
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRASHANT KUMAR MISHRA

For Petitioner(s) Mr. Naveen Kumar, AOR
Ms. Aprajita Bhardwaj, Adv.
Mr. Shourajeet Chakravarty, Adv.
Mr. Nitesh Bhandari, Adv.
Ms. Stuti Bisht, Adv.
Mr. Prabhat Kumar Rai, Adv.
Ms. Rashmi, Adv.
Mr. Maitreya, Adv.
Mr. Utkarsh Chandra, Adv.

For Respondent(s) Mr. Kedar Nath Tripathy, AOR

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

Delay condoned.

2. Heard Mr. Naveen Kumar, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners.

3. The counsel submits that although the University had a good case on merits in their writ appeal(s), the Division Bench had dismissed the case only on the ground of delay. It is then pointed out that the delay was not inordinate and it is only around 116, 117, 116, 117 and 115 days respectively in filing the writ appeals in the High Court. It is then submitted that the Special Leave Petitions are filed seeking remand of the matters to the Division Bench to consider the University's writ appeal on merit.

4. Issue notice, returnable in four weeks.

5. Mr. Kedar Nath Tripathy, learned counsel who has filed caveat on behalf of respondent No.1, accepts notice. Hence, formal notice need not be issued to respondent No.1 in the SLP (CIVIL) Diary No(s). 11306/2024.

6. If contempt proceeding is initiated by the respondent, the University is at liberty to mention about pendency of the present Special Leave Petitions, before the concerned Court.

7. In the meantime, as is submitted by Mr. K. N. Tripathi, the entitled salary with Grade Pay of Rs.5400 be continued. It is however made clear that the Higher Grade Pay of Rs.6,000/- per month, is not being ordered.

(DEEPAK JOSHI)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(KAMLESH RAWAT)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR