



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
CMP No.1071 of 2026

Dhaneswar Sahoo

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Petitioner

Represented By Adv. –

Mr. Srinibas Mohanty

-versus-

Trishna Sahoo

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Opposite Party

CORAM:
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA

ORDER
07.07.2026

Order No.

01. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner. Perused the Civil Miscellaneous Petition as well as the prayer made therein.
3. By filing the present Civil Miscellaneous Petition, the Defendant No.1 in C.S. (I) No.17 of 2016 pending in the court of learned Civil Judge (Senior Division), 1st Court, Cuttack, has approached this Court with a prayer for a direction to the trial court for early disposal of the suit pending since 2016.



4. Learned counsel for the Petitioner, at the outset, contended that the Petitioner, who is Defendant No.1 in the suit, is aged about 84 years. He further contended that although the suit was filed in the year 2016, it did not progress substantially, despite almost a decade having elapsed. He further contended that the Petitioner apprehends he might not see the light of justice in his lifetime. As such, learned counsel for the Petitioner contended that the learned trial court be directed to expedite the hearing of the suit and concluded the same within a stipulated period of time.

5. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the Petitioner, further taking note of the fact that the suit is of the year 2016 and the Defendant No.1- Petitioner is aged about 84 years, although this Court is inclined to stipulate a time for disposal of the suit, however, considering the fact that the civil courts in the district of Cuttack are overburdened with many year old cases, this Court declines to fix any stipulated time period for disposal of the suit. However, while disposing of the present CMP application, liberty is granted to the Petitioner to move the learned trial court by filing an appropriate application seeking early disposal of the aforesaid suit. In such eventuality, the trial court, subject to pendency of the year old cases and its convenience, shall do the needful and make



every endeavour to expedite the trial of the suit and shall dispose of the same as expeditiously as possible. The parties to the suit are directed to cooperate with the learned trial court and they shall not take seek any unnecessary adjournments.

6. With the aforesaid observation and direction, the CMP stands disposed of.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

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