

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.7926 of 2021

Rasmi Ranjan Mohapatra

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Petitioner

Mr. A. Pattanaik, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha & others

....

Opp. Parties.

Mr. A.R. Dash,
Additional Government Advocate.

CORAM:

JUSTICE BISWAJIT MOHANTY

JUSTICE K.R. MOHAPATRA

ORDER

07.02.2022

Order No.

2. 1. This matter is taken up through Video Conferencing Mode.
2. Heard Mr. A. Pattanaik, learned counsel for the Petitioner and A.R. Dash, learned Additional Government Advocate.
3. According to Mr. Pattanaik, the Petitioner has executed "Site Development for Construction of proposed Kendriya Vidyalaya No.6 at Pokhariput, Bhubaneswar vide Agreement No.02 P1 of 2012-13". During execution of the above noted work, the Government enhanced the minimum wages of workers. Accordingly, the Petitioner paid enhanced wages. According to him, the Petitioner is entitled to get differential cost of enhanced minimum wage. In this context, he relies upon a decision of this Court rendered in the case of **Mahesh Prasad Mishra Vs. State of Odisha and others**, reported in **2012 (Supp.-I) OLR 1035**. He further submits that though highlighting his grievances, the Petitioner has filed a representation on 16.10.2020 under Annexure-5 before the Engineer-in-Chief-cum-Secretary, Works Department, Government of Odisha (O.P. No.1), however till date no

decision has been taken on the same. In such background, he prays for a direction to Opposite Party No.1 to take a decision on the above noted representation within a specified time.

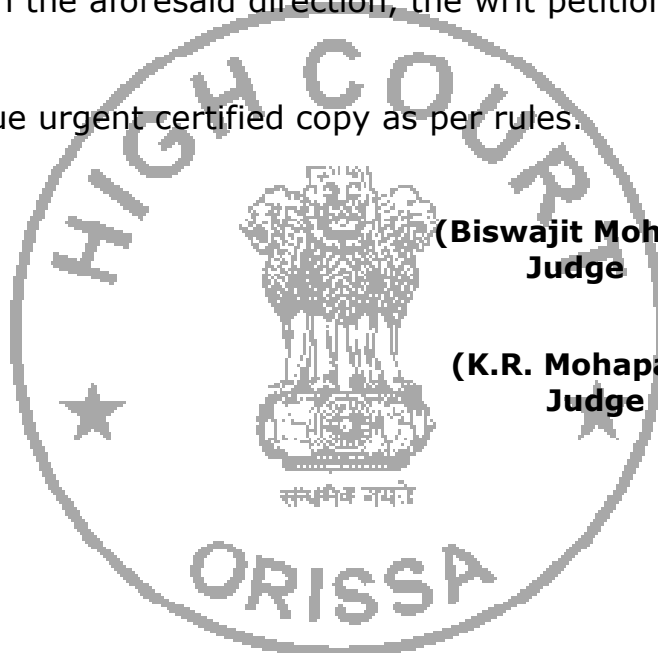
4. Considering such submissions, this Court without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, directs Opposite Party No.1- Engineer-in-Chief-cum-Secretary, Works Department, Government of Odisha to take a decision on the above noted representation of the Petitioner in accordance with law within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and communicate result of such exercise to the Petitioner.

5. With the aforesaid direction, the writ petition is disposed of.

6. Issue urgent certified copy as per rules.

(Biswajit Mohanty)
Judge

(K.R. Mohapatra)
Judge



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