

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.9083 of 2020

Jamuna Dehuri & others* *Petitioners

***Mr. P.C. Mishra,*
*Advocate***

-versus-

State of Odisha & others* *Opposite Parties

***Mr. H.M. Dhal,*
*Additional Government Advocate***

**CORAM:
JUSTICE BISWAJIT MOHANTY
JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO**

ORDER

10.10.2022

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1. Heard Mr. P.C. Mishra, learned counsel for the petitioners and Mr. H.M. Dhal, learned Additional Government Advocate.
 2. According to Mr. Mishra, since the petitioners were dissatisfied with the quantum of award in L.A. Case No. 114 of 2015, they approached the Arbitrator-cum-Collector, Deogarh (Opposite Party No.2) by filing an application under Section-3G (5) of the National Highways Act, 1956 on 15.03.2019 praying for higher compensation under Annexure-3. The grievance of the petitioners is that till date the above noted application has remained undisposed. Accordingly, he prays that a direction be issued to the Opposite Party No.2 to take a decision on the above noted application of the petitioners under annexure-3 within a specific time period.

3. Considering the submissions made and without expressing any opinion on the merit of the case, this Court directs the Arbitrator-cum-Collector, Deogarh (Opposite Party No.2) to take a decision on the above noted application in accordance with law within a period of six months from the date of production of certified copy of this order after giving reasonable opportunity of hearing to the petitioners as well as the other interested parties concerned and communicate the result of such exercise to the petitioners.
4. Accordingly, this writ petition is disposed of.
5. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted as per rules.

Balaram

