

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.10658 of 2022

Harapriya Pradhan

.... *Petitioner*
Mr. S.K. Rout, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and others

.... *Opposite Parties*

Mr. Y.S.P. Babu, A.G.A.

CORAM:

JUSTICE A.K. MOHAPATRA

Order No.

ORDER
11.05.2022

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
 2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned counsel for the State. Perused the record.
 3. The present writ petition has been filed by the petitioner with the following prayers:

“It is, therefore, most respectfully prayed that your Lordships may graciously be pleased to admit this writ application and issue Rule NISI to the Opposite Parties to show cause as to why the Advertisement No.PR-NERG-SOCIETY-0010-2021 19484 dated 11.11.2021 inviting applications from eligible candidates for recruitment to one post of Director in Odisha Society for Social Audit Accountability and Transparency (OSSAAT) under Annexure-2 and subsequent selection procedure by the Government of Odisha, Panchayati Raj & D.W. Department shall not be quashed.

And further a writ in the nature of mandamus or any other appropriate writ(s) be issued directing the opposite parties to re-advertise as per the Government of India norms under Annexure-5, within a stipulated period;
And/or pass such other order(s) as deem fit and proper.”

4. It is submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that although the petitioner has filed representation dated 22.11.2021 under Annexure-4 before the Principal Secretary, Government of Odisha, Panchayati Raj & D.W. Department, Bhubaneswar-Opposite Party No.1, the same is still pending before the said Opposite party and the said Opposite Party has not taken any decision as of now.

5. Learned counsel for the State submits that he has no objection, if a direction is given to the authorities to consider the grievance petition of the petitioner in accordance with law within a stipulated period of time and disburse the same.

6. Considering the submissions made by the respective parties, the limited nature of grievance involved in the present writ petition, keeping in view the case of the petitioner, this Court disposes of the writ petition at the stage of admission with a direction to the Principal Secretary, Government of Odisha, Panchayati Raj & D.W. Department, Bhubaneswar-Opposite Party No.1 to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 22.11.2021 under Annexure-4 in accordance with law within a period of three months from the date of production of certified copy of this order. It is needless to mention here that the representation of the petitioner shall be considered and disposed of by passing a speaking and reasoned order. Any decision so taken on the said representation shall be communicated to the petitioner within a period of two weeks thereafter.

7. With the aforesaid observation/direction, the writ petition is disposed of.

Urgent certified copy of this order be granted on proper application.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

