

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C). No.12074 of 2022

Niranjan Behera

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Petitioner

-versus-

State of Orissa and others

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Opposite Parties

CORAM: JUSTICE S.PUJAHARI

ORDER

20.05.2022

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1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard.
3. The grievance of the Petitioner in this case is that though he has made an application dated 21st March, 2022, vide Annexure-3 Series, for cancellation of registration certificate of the vehicle bearing registration number OR-02-AG-9939 to the Opposite Party No.3-Regional Transport Authority, Bhubaneswar, but no decision on the same has been taken in spite of the instruction of the Transport Commissioner, Odisha in his letter No.11010/TC dated 11th December, 2020 to all Regional Transport Officers, vide Annexure-1. Hence, he has filed this writ petition seeking a direction to the Opposite Party No.3-Regional Transport Authority, Bhubaneswar to act on his such application for cancellation of such certificate, notwithstanding the pendency of any tax and penalty inasmuch as the instruction as above is very clear.

4. Mr Pravakar Behera, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the Transport Department, submits that pendency of tax and penalty is no bar for cancellation of registration certificate of the vehicle.

5. Considering the same, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the Opposite Party No.3-Regional Transport Authority, Bhubaneswar to take a decision on the application of the Petitioner, vide Annexure-3 Series, for cancellation of registration certificate of the vehicle bearing registration number OR-02-AG-9939 in the light of the instruction of the Transport Commissioner, Odisha, vide Annexure-1, within three weeks hence.

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

(S. Pujahari)
Judge