

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CONTC No.5504 of 2021

Tarindra Sahu

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Petitioner

Mr. B.K. Nayak, Advocate

-versus-

**Rajendra Kumar Pattnaik,
Director (R and R) and Ex-
Officio Additional Secretary
to Government of Odisha,
Water Resources Department,
Bhubaneswar and Another**

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**Contemnors/Opposite
Parties**

Mr. L. Samantaray, AGA

**CORAM:
JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH
JUSTICE M.S. SAHOO**

**ORDER (Oral)
05.01.2022**

Order No.

1. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Mode.
2. 2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
3. 3. It is claimed that the compensation for the lands of the petitioner acquired for executing the Lower Indra Irrigation Project, Khariar in the district of Nuapada has not yet been disbursed inspite of the positive directions to release the same by end of April, 2021 vide order dated 21.01.2021 passed by this Court.
4. 4. Mr. L. Samantaray, learned Additional Government Advocate for Contemnor/Opposite Parties upon instructions states that the amounts could not be disbursed due to non-availability of funds in the relevant head. He states that in the next budget allocation, due provision towards disbursement of the compensation shall be made and the entire compensation dues shall be

positively released to the petitioner in the month of April, 2022.

5. In view of the stand of the Contemnors/Opposite Parties made through the learned counsel for the State, learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that he has no objection, if the contempt is disposed of at this stage. He, however, prays for liberty to revive the Contempt Petition by making application, in case the payment is not released, as stated by the learned Additional Government Advocate for the Contemnors/Opposite parties.

6. In view of the above, the Contempt Petition is disposed of as infructuous with the liberty as aforesaid.

January 5th, 2021
Cuttack.

(Jaswant Singh)
Judge

(M. S. Sahoo)
Judge

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