

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CONTC (CP) No.397 of 2018

Baikuntha Nath Khatua

..... Petitioner
Mr. P.K. Khatei, Advocate

-versus-

***Pradeep Kumar Jena, IAS,
Principal Secretary to Govt.,
Water Resources Department and
Anr.***

..... Opposite Party/Contemnors
Mrs. Saswata Patnaik, AGA

**CORAM:
JUSTICE C.R. DASH**

**ORDER
29.03.2022**

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard Mr. P.K. Khatei, learned counsel for the Petitioner and Mrs. Saswata Patnaik, learned Additional Government Advocate for the Opposite Party/Contemnor.
3. Eschewing the preliminary objection by learned counsel for the State on the ground of limitation etc., I feel persuaded to dispose of the Contempt Petition to prevent further delay and harassment to the petitioner.
4. Regard being had to the facts and submissions and further fact that, the contemnor-incumbent must have changed in the meantime, the Contempt Petition is disposed of directing the present incumbent/incumbents to comply with

the order of the Orissa Administrative Tribunal passed in O.A. No.1322 of 2018 within three months from the date of communication of this order provided there is no other legal impediment or no order from the higher forum staying the operation of the order of the Orissa Administrative Tribunal for alleging violation of which the present Contempt Petition has been filed. If the present incumbent/incumbents fails/fail to comply with the order by the time prescribed, then the petitioner concerned may file fresh contempt for violation of the order of this Court.

5. This order shall only be effective if the order has not yet been complied.

6. The compliance order be communicated to the petitioner by the present incumbent/incumbents, if not communicated.

7. A free copy of this order be supplied to learned AGA for onward transmission to the authority/authorities concerned for communication of the order.

(C.R. Dash)
Judge