

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
W.P.(C) No.28286 OF 2022

Sukanti Marndi

.... ***Petitioner(s)***
Mr.A.K.Biswal,Adv.

-versus-

State of Odisha and others

.... ***Opposite Party(s)***
Mr.S.Ghose,AGA

CORAM:
JUSTICE BISWANATH RATH

ORDER
01.11.2022

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1. Heard learned counsel for the Parties.
2. This Court finds through the direction of the Lokayukta appearing at page-145, it appears there is only a direction for conducting vigilance inquiry involved a serious issue therein and submitting a report enabling the Lokayukta to further proceeding in the matter. Petitioner alleges even though he has been involved in the preliminary inquiry conducted at the instance of the Lokayukta but his objection has not been taken into account by the Lokayukta which issuing the impugned directive.
3. For the opinion of this Court the role of the Lokayukta is only to find out if there is prima facie allegation exist and in such event to recommend for initiation of appropriate proceeding to proceed accordingly by the competent authority. For a mere recommendation in initiating a vigilance inquiry, this Court finds, the Petitioner should not feel aggrieved at this stage.

4. Be that as it may since the Petitioner has the objection to the preliminary report, even though this Court declines to interfere in the matter at this stage. This Court hopes and trusts the vigilance inquiry, if any, involving the Petitioner shall give all opportunities to the Petitioner.

5. The Writ Petition thus stands disposed of.

(Biswanath Rath)
Judge

Swarna

