

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.33657 of 2021

Mahesh Kumar Agarwal

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Petitioner

Mr. S. Ray, Advocate

-versus-

Joint Commissioner of Income

Tax, Sundargarh and another

....

Opp. Parties

Mr. S.S. Mohapatra, Sr. Standing Counsel

CORAM:

THE CHIEF JUSTICE

JUSTICE R.K.PATTANAİK

ORDER

11.07.2022

Order No.

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1. This Court is informed that the present petition stands covered by the judgment of the Supreme Court in ***Union of India v. Ashis Agarwal (2022) 444 ITR 1.***

2. Mr. Mohapatra has also placed before the Court the copy of the Instruction No.1/2022 dated 11th May, 2022 issued by the ITJ Section, Central Board of Direct Taxes, Ministry of Finance for implementation of the above judgment of the Supreme Court.

3. In view of the above judgment in ***Union of India v. Ashis Agarwal (supra)*** and the aforementioned Instruction No.1/2022, the impugned notice (at Annexure-1) issued by the Department under Section 148 of the Income Tax Act, 1961 is quashed. If the Department chooses to issue a fresh notice in compliance with the ITJ Section's Instruction dated 11th May 2022, then in such event, the right of the Petitioner to challenge the fresh notice it in

accordance with law on all the grounds available to the Petitioner in law, is reserved.

4. The writ petition is disposed of in the above terms. The interim order is vacated.

(Dr. S. Muralidhar)
Chief Justice

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

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