

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**

**W.P.(C) No.30964 of 2022**

***Lochan Ojha***

....

***Petitioner***

*Ms. B.K. Pattanaik, Advocate*

*-versus-*

***State of Odisha & others***

....

***Opp. Parties***

*Mr. A. Behera, ASC*

**CORAM:**

**JUSTICE A.K. MOHAPATRA**

**ORDER**

**23.11.2022**

**Order No.**

01. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner as well as learned Additional Standing Counsel appearing for the State-Opposite Parties.
3. The present writ petition has been filed by the Petitioner with the following prayers:

*“It is therefore most humbly prayed that this Hon’ble Court may graciously be pleased to admit the case, call for the records and after hearing both the parties pass the following reliefs;*

- i. To direct the Opposite Parties to antedate the appointment w.e.f. 30.05.2016 from the date when others have been appointed in response to the selection process conducted in terms of the advertisement under Annexure-1.*
- ii. To direct the opposite parties to grant all consequential benefits treating the date of appointment of petitioner as 30.05.2016 i.e. from the date when others have been appointed in response to the selection process conducted in terms of the advertisement under Annexure-1.*
- iii. And pass such other order/orders as would be*

*deem fit and proper.”*

4. It is submitted by learned counsel for the Petitioner that although the Petitioner has filed representation dated 10.10.2022 before the Opposite Party No.3 under Annexure-7, but the same is still pending before the said Opposite party and the said Opposite Party has not taken any decision as of now.

5. Learned counsel for the State submits that he has no objection, if a direction is given to the authority concerned to consider the representation of the Petitioner in accordance with law within a stipulated period of time.

6. Considering the submissions made by the respective parties and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this Court disposes of the writ petition at the stage of admission with a direction to the Opposite Party No.3 to consider the representation of the Petitioner dated 10.10.2022 under Annexure-7 in accordance with law within a period of eight weeks from the date of production of certified copy of this order. It is needless to mention here that the representation of the Petitioner shall be considered and disposed of by passing a speaking and reasoned order. Any decision so taken on the said representation shall be communicated to the Petitioner within a period of two weeks thereafter.

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

**( A.K. Mohapatra )**  
**Judge**