

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) Nos.37102, 37097, 37101, 37105 and 37860 of 2021

In W.P.(C) No. 37102 of 2021

Headmistress, Jageswaree Uchha *Petitioner*
Bidyalaya, Aloī

Mr. Sameer Kumar Das

-versus-

State of Orissa and Ors. *Opposite Parties*
Mr. R.C. Pattanaik, SC
(for S & ME Deptt.)
Mr. S.S. Rao, Sr. Adv.
(for O.Ps.4 & 5)

In W.P.(C) No.37097 of 2021

Managing Committee of Baladev *Petitioner*
Jew Vidyalaya, Bhusandapur

Mr. Sameer Kumar Das, Adv.

-versus-

State of Orissa and Ors. *Opposite Parties*
Mr. R.C. Pattanaik, SC
(for S & ME Deptt.)
Mr. S.S. Rao, Sr. Adv.
(for O.Ps.4 & 5)

In W.P.(C) No. 37101 of 2021

Managing Committee of Santiduta Petitioner
Prasanna Patshani Girls High
School, Orabarsingh

Mr. Sameer Kumar Das, Adv.

-versus-

State of Orissa and Ors. Opposite Parties
Mr. R.C. Pattanaik, SC
(for S & ME Deptt.)
Mr. S.S. Rao, Sr. Adv.
(for O.Ps.4 & 5)

In W.P.(C) No. No.37105 of 2021

Headmistress, Gurujang Girls High Petitioner
School, Gurujang

Mr. Sameer Kumar Das, Adv.

-versus-

State of Orissa and Ors. Opposite Parties
Mr. R.C. Pattanaik, SC
(for S & ME Deptt.)
Mr. S.S. Rao, Sr. Adv.
(for O.Ps.4 & 5)

In W.P.(C) No. No.37860 of 2021

Managing Committee of Kumudini Petitioner
P.A.N. Girls High School, Bankoi

Mr. Sameer Kumar Das, Adv.

-versus-

State of Orissa and Ors. Opposite Parties
Mr. R.C. Pattanaik, SC
(for S & ME Deptt.)
Mr. S.S. Rao, Sr. Adv.
(for O.Ps.4 & 5)

CORAM:
DR. JUSTICE S.K. PANIGRAHI

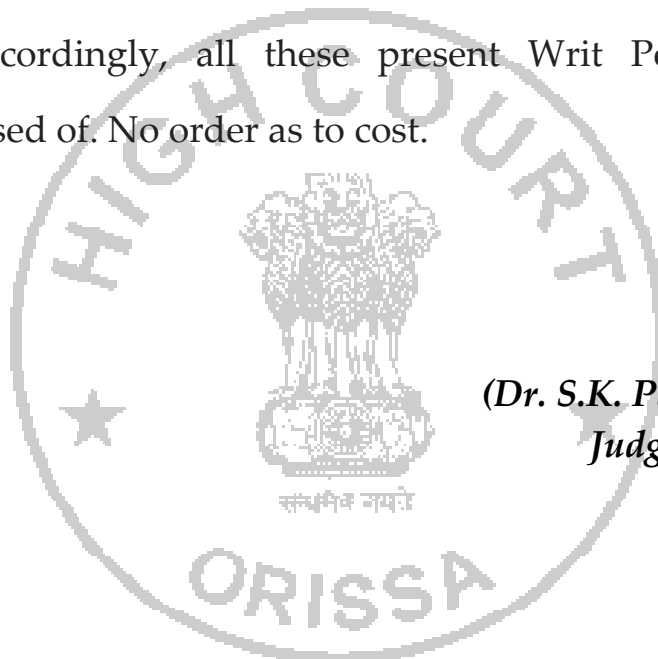
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8. 1. All the matters are taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Learned counsel for the parties are present. Judgment prepared in separate sheets is delivered and pronounced in open Court in the presence of learned counsel for the parties and the order is passed accordingly as follows:-
3. In view of the argument advanced by the parties, it is clearly evident that the petitioners' institutions, in the present cases, do not meet the Chapter-IX of the Board's Regulation which mandates certain criteria that must be fulfilled by the school securing recognition. The said criteria are like Classroom, Headmaster's room, Teachers' common room, Library room, Science equipment and Trained Teaching staffs etc. All these conditions must be complied apriori in case of granting of recognition. The deficiency of criteria for fulfilling recognition was found in the year 2020-21 which led to the withdrawal of recognition of the petitioner's institution in the year 2021.

4. Since the future of the students and those of the schools are at stake, the Board of Secondary Education, Odisha is directed to afford a fresh opportunity to the petitioners' schools so as to comply with the requirements for the recognition parameters as set out by the Board by affording reasonable opportunity and time to remove the defects. If they fail to comply with the recognition parameters, the Board is free to take decision as per law.

5. Accordingly, all these present Writ Petitions are disposed of. No order as to cost.



(Dr. S.K. Panigrahi)
Judge

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