

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CRLMP No.2420 of 2021

Manas Chandra Sethi* *Petitioner

*Mr. B. Tripathy,
Advocate*

-versus-

State of Odisha & others* *Opp. Parties

*Mr. S.K. Samal
Additional Government Advocate*

**CORAM:
JUSTICE BISWAJIT MOHANTY**

**ORDER
04.01.2022**

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1. This matter is taken up through video conferencing mode.
 2. Heard Mr. Tripathy, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. S.K. Samal, learned Additional Government Advocate.
 3. Mr. Tripathy undertakes to serve an extra copy of this application on the learned counsel for the State.
 4. According to the learned counsel for the petitioner, the grievance of the petitioner in this case pertains to non-registration of his complaint dated 12.12.2021 under Annexure-1 as F.I.R. by the I.I.C., Khandapada Police Station (opposite party No.3) though the same reveals commission of cognizable offences. Despite receipt of complaint under Annexure-1, when no action was taken by opposite party No.3, a copy of the complaint under Annexure-1 was sent to him through speed post on 27.12.2021. He further submits that though against such inaction, the petitioner has approached the Superintendent of Police, Nayagarh (opposite party No.2) on 28.12.2021 by filing a grievance petition vide Annexure-2

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through speed post on the same day, however, till date no action has been taken on the same. In such background, he prays that a direction be issued to the Superintendent of Police, Nayagarh to take a decision on the grievance petition of the petitioner within a specific time period.

5. Considering the submissions made and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this Court directs the Superintendent of Police, Nayagarh to take a decision on the grievance petition dated 28.12.2021 of the petitioner under Annexure-2 in accordance with law keeping in mind the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of **Lalita Kumari Vs. State of U.P. & Others** reported in **AIR 2014 SC 187** within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order, if in the meantime, the same has not been disposed of and communicate the result of such exercise to the petitioner. The petitioner is directed to supply copies of the complaint dated 12.12.2021 under Annexure-1 as well as grievance petition dated 28.12.2021 under Annexure-2 to opposite party No.2 while presenting a certified copy of this order.

6. Accordingly, this CRLMP is disposed of.

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

(**Biswajit Mohanty**)
Judge