IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
CONTC No. 4295 of 2024

Subrat Kumar Jena .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. N. Jena, Advocate

-versus-

Bhabani Shankar Chaini, OAS, Director, Higher Education, Odisha .... ***Opposite Party***

Mr. K.C. Kar, Government Advocate

CORAM:
HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

ORDER

Order No. **20.12.2024**

01. This matter is taken up through Hybrid mode.

2. The petitioner has alleged disobedience of this Court's order dated 09.01.2024 passed in W.P.(C) No. 42529 of 2023.

3. Mr. K.C. Kar, learned Government Advocate has informed this Court that despite communication having been made to the opposite party on 22.05.2024, no one has responded.

4. With disgust, the Court is recording that non-compliance of the orders upon adjudication of the rights of the petitioner is becoming rampant in the Higher Education Department in the State of Odisha.

5. Let the Director, Higher Education Department be personally present in Court today at 3.00 P.M. when the Court will consider initiation of contempt proceeding against him.

(Chakradhari Sharan Singh)
Chief Justice

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Later

6. In compliance of the order of this Court passed today 1st hour, Mr. Kali Prasanna Mohapatra, Director, Higher Education appeared in person and filed compliance affidavit, wherein it has been stated that the order of this Court, violation of which has been alleged in the contempt petition, has been complied with.

7. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner does not dispute the said aspect. He further seeks liberty to question the correctness of the decision taken pursuant to this Court's order.

8. The contempt proceeding is accordingly dropped with the liberty as sought for on behalf of the petitioner.

9. The personal appearance of the officer stands dispensed with.

(Chakradhari Sharan Singh)
Chief Justice

Arun Mishra

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