IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

WP(C) No. 31197 of 2024

Santoshi Boda .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. S.P. Patra, Advocate

-versus-

Mahanadi Coalfields Limited., Sambalpur & Others .... ***Opp. Parties***

CORAM:
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.K. SAHOO
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE CHITTARANJAN DASH

ORDER

Order No. **11.12.2024**

01. 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid arrangement (video conferencing/physical mode).

2. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel for the State.

3. This Writ Petition has been filed by the Petitioner with the following prayer:-

"a) Admit the writ application:

b) Call for the records:

c) Issue Rule NISI calling upon the Opposite Parties as to why the application filed by the Petitioner under Annexure-2 shall not be heard

and disposed of within a specified time and to award the compensation in respect of Khata No.70, 80 and 235 of mouza Jhupuranga in favour of the petitioner after due enquiry as the petitioner is one of the legal successor of the said Khatas and legally entitled.

d) If the Opp. Parties fails to show cause or shown insufficient cause the said rule be made absolute.

And pass such other order(s) which will deem fit and proper for the ends of Justice."

4. Learned counsel for the Petitioner submitted that though the representation under Annexure-2 on this issue, is pending with the General Manager, Mahanadi Coalfields Limited, Basundhara Area, Sundargarh i.e. Opposite Party No.2 since 05.09.2024, no communication has been received from the concerned Authority and a direction may be issued to the Authority for disposal of the same.

5. Learned counsel for the State has no objection to such submission.

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the respective parties, without expressing any

opinion on the merits of the case, we dispose of the Writ Petition directing the General Manager, Mahanadi Coalfields Limited, Basundhara Area, Sundargarh to take a decision on the representation filed by the Petitioner vide Annexure-2 and pass appropriate order in accordance with law within a period of three months from the date of production of a certified copy of this order. The order shall be communicated to the Petitioner by the General Manager, Mahanadi Coalfields Limited, Basundhara Area, Sundargarh within two weeks of taking the decision.

(S.K. Sahoo)
Judge

(Chittaranjan Dash)
Judge

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