IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.8679 of 2013
CNR No.ODHC010053192013

Prasanna Kumar Maharana .... **Petitioner**
Mr. B.P. Nayak, Adv. on behalf of Mr. D. Chhotray, Adv.

-versus-

DG of Police, CRPF and Others .... **Opposite Parties**
Mr. R. Mohapatra, Senior Panel Counsel

CORAM:
JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER
04.11.2026

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05. **1.** This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical) Mode.

2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

3. The present Writ Petition has been filed inter alia with the following prayer:-

> *"It is, therefore, prayed that this Hon'ble Court may graciously be pleased to:*
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> *(i) Issue a Rule Nisi in the nature of writ of mandamus and/or any other appropriate writ/writs, order/orders, direction/directions calling upon the opposite parties to show cause as to why the amount deducted from the salary of the petitioner towards house rent shall not be refunded to the petitioner within a stipulated period as the same is in gross violation of C.R.P.F Family Accommodation Rules, 2008;*
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> *(ii) If the opposite parties fail to show cause and/or show insufficient and/or false cause, make the said Rule Nisi absolute;*

(iii) Pass any other appropriate order/orders, direction/directions and grant any other relief/reliefs to which the petitioner is entitled."

4. It is contended that even though basing on the order passed by the Estate Officer-O.P. No.3, some amount as due towards House Rent was recovered from the petitioner, but grievance made by the petitioner in that regard before Opp. Party No.2, was not considered on the ground that such a deduction has been made basing on the order passed by the Estate Officer by exercising the power under the statutory provision of Estate Rule/Public Premises Act, 1971. Learned counsel for the petitioner accordingly contended that he may be permitted to withdraw the Writ Petition with liberty to move Opp. Party No.3 for re-consideration of the recovery so made from the petitioner towards House Rent.

4.1. It is further contended that Opp. Party No.3 be directed to take into consideration, relevancy and effect of the communication issued by the Directorate General, CRPF on 24.04.2008, while considering the claim of the petitioner, to be made in terms of this order.

5. Learned Senior Panel Counsel has no serious objection to the course of action proposed by the learned counsel for the petitioner.

6. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and considering the submissions made, this Court while disposing the Writ Petition, grants liberty to the petitioner to make a grievance before Opp. Party No.3 for re-consideration of the order, wherein petitioner was held liable to pay the House Rent and consequential recovery of the same.

6.1. It is observed that if any such application will be moved before Opp. Party No.3 within a period of 3(three) weeks hence, Opp. Party No.3 shall take a lawful decision on the same within a period of 3(three) months from the date of receipt of such application. It is further observed that while taking such a decision, relevancy and effect of the Notification issued on 24.04.2008 be taken into consideration if applicable. Petitioner is permitted to provide a copy of this order along with the Notification dated 24.04.2008 before Opp. Party No.3 for compliance.

7. The Writ Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(Biraja Prasanna Satapathy)
Judge

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