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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.21001 of 2024

[CNR No.ODHC010624632024]

Bikuni Sahoo & Ors. …. ***Petitioner(s)***

Mr. Kshirod Kumar Rout, Adv.

-versus-

State of Odisha & Ors. …. ***Opposite Party(s)***

Mr. Satyabrata Mohanty, AGA
Mr. Debasish Nayak, Adv. (for O.P. Nos.3 & 4)

CORAM:
HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE SANJEEB K PANIGRAHI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MURAHARI SRI RAMAN

ORDER

17.11.2026

Order No.
06.

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

2. By filing the present Writ Petition, the Petitioners have challenged the action of the Opposite Parties in evicting them from their vending sites in the vicinity of Ranihat Clock Tower Chowk, Ward No.31, within the limits of the Kataka Municipal Corporation, without prior notice or relocation/rehabilitation. They contend that the action is contrary to the provisions of the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014 (for short, "the 2014 Act"). They have also sought a direction to the Opposite Parties to issue or renew their certificates of vending

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in accordance with Section 4 of the 2014 Act and to implement the Act in the area in letter and spirit.

3. Learned counsel for the Petitioners submits that, out of 40 Petitioners, 33 have been allotted shop rooms, while the remaining seven are yet to be allotted shop rooms by the Kataka Municipal Corporation.

4. Learned counsel for the Kataka Municipal Corporation submits that the municipal authorities shall identify the seven Petitioners who have not yet been allotted shop rooms and shall make every endeavour to allot shop rooms to them, subject to availability.

5. Learned counsel for the Petitioners further submits that the Petitioners who have been allotted shop rooms have deposited the requisite security deposit. Learned counsel for the Kataka Municipal Corporation submits that those Petitioners shall be called upon to execute the agreements within fifteen days from the date of presentation of a certified copy of this order.

6. In view of the submissions made on behalf of the parties, the Kataka Municipal Corporation is directed to call upon the Petitioners who have been allotted shop rooms and have deposited the requisite security deposit to execute the agreements within fifteen days from the date of presentation of a certified copy of this order. The Corporation shall identify the remaining seven Petitioners and make every endeavour to

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allot shop rooms to them, subject to availability. The Petitioners shall cooperate with the Corporation and comply with the requirements for execution of the agreements.

7. The Writ Petition is accordingly disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

8. Pending application (s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

9. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per Rules.

(Dr. Sanjeeb K Panigrahi)
Judge

(Murahari Sri Raman)
Judge

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