IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No. 34204 of 2026
(CNR No. ODHC010791902026)

Shiba Prasad Hans …. **Petitioner**

Mr. P.K. Nayak, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha and others …. **Opposite Parties**

Mr. C.M. Singh, ASC
Mr. P.K. Parhi, DSGI
Mr. A. Mohanty, CGC

CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER
05.11.2026

Order No.

01. 1. Heard Mr. Nayak, learned counsel for the petitioner, Mr. Singh, learned ASC for the State and Mr. Parhi, learned DSGI appearing along with Mr. Mohanty, learned CGC for opposite party No.6.

2. Instant writ petition is filed by the petitioner for a direction to the opposite parties to forthwith re-engage/reinstate him as Inclusive Education (I.E.) Volunteer for Alanda & Arsatula Gram Panchayat of Bongomunda Block under SSA, Balangir consequent upon the acquittal order in CRLA No.65 of 2018 with such other consequential reliefs sought for.

3. The petitioner was disengaged and it was subsequent to his involvement in a criminal case. Mr. Nayak, learned counsel submits that against the order of conviction, the petitioner

approached this Court in the CRLA and it has been followed by the acquittal order. The submission is that subsequent to the acquittal judgment, the petitioner has approached the authority concerned for re-engagement with representations as at Annexure-3 series which is still pending consideration and hence, necessary direction may perhaps be issued in that regard.

4. Recorded the submission of Mr. Singh, learned ASC for the State. It is informed to the Court that there is no claim against opposite party No.6-Union of India.

5. Perused the judgment in CRLA No.65 of 2018. The petitioner has been exonerated from the levelled charges with the conviction order and sentence being set aside in connection with Special G.R. Case No.11 of 2015 by this Court while disposing of the CRLA. Recording the submissions of learned counsel for the respective parties and since the petitioner is already before the Authority, this Court is inclined to direct opposite party No.1 to whom one of the representations is addressed to vide Annexure-3 series for a decision on such re-engagement consequent upon his acquittal vide Annexure-2.

6. Accordingly, it is ordered.

7. In the result, the writ petition stands disposed of with the direction as aforesaid for compliance by opposite party No.4 on the representation at Annexure-3 series on the anvil of the acquittal order vide Annexure-2 in CRLA No.65 of 2018

and to take a decision vis-à-vis re-engagement/reinstatement of the petitioner in the former post by a decision followed by a reasoned order at the earliest preferably within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

8. Urgent copy of this order be issued as per the rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

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