IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
WP(C) No. 34361 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010811482026

Aswini Kumar Panda	***.....***	***Petitioner***
		Ms. S. Mohanty, Advocate
	-versus-	
State of Odisha & Ors.	***.....***	***Opposite Parties***
		Dr. P.P. Behera, ASC

CORAM:
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY
ORDER
28.10.2026

Order No. 01

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.

2. Heard learned counsel appearing for the Parties.

3. Petitioner has filed the present writ petition inter alia with the following prayer:-

> *"In the above circumstances, the petitioner most respectfully prays that this Hon'ble Court may graciously be pleased to admit the writ petition, issue notice to the Opp. Parties to show cause as to why the petitioner shall not be given notional promotion retrospectively from the date of his juniors were promoted i.e. since 17.01.2023 by fixing his seniority from that date and why all the service benefits shall not be extended to him notionally from that date so that his future promotion shall not be affected and if the Opp. Parties fail to show cause or show insufficient cause, the Hon'ble Court, upon hearing the parties may further be pleased to allow this writ petition by directing the Opp. Parties to give notional promotion to the petitioner retrospectively from 17.01.2023 by fixing his seniority from that date and extend him all the service benefits notionally from that date so that his future promotion shall not be affected, by issuing a writ in the*

nature of Mandamus or any other appropriate writ as may be deemed fit and proper in the interest of justice.

And may kindly pass such other order/orders/direction/directions in giving complete relief to the Petitioner;

And for this act of kindness, the Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray."

4. Learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that though highlighting his grievances, Petitioner has filed a representation at Annexure-12 to the Writ Petition before the Opp. Party No. 2, but till date nothing has been done in the matter. In such background, learned counsel for the Petitioner prays that a direction be issued to Opposite Party No. 2 to take a decision on the above noted Petition within a specific time period.

5. Considering the submissions made and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this Court directs Opposite Party No. 2 to take a decision on the above noted petition in accordance with law, within a period of three (3) months from the date of receipt of this order and communicate the result of such exercise to the Petitioner.

6. The Writ Petition is disposed of accordingly.

(BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY)
Judge

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