IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.35211 of 2026
(CNR No. ODHC010819902026)

Trilochan Barik & others …. **Petitioners**

Mr. S.K. Das, Advocate

-Versus-

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

Mrs. Siva Mohanty, ASC

CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER
09.11.2026

Order No.

01. 1. Heard Mr. Das, learned counsel for the petitioners and Mrs. Mohanty, learned ASC for the State.

2. Instant writ petition is filed by the petitioners for a direction to opposite party No.2, in particular, to include them in the revised select list in terms of the order of this Court in I.A. No.7964 of 2024 and batch disposed of on 23rd December, 2024 and further to direct opposite party No.1 to appoint them as Junior Teachers (Schematic) granting all consequential service and financial benefits within a stipulated period.

3. Mr. Das, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the State Government by virtue of resolution dated 22nd August, 2022 fixed guidelines for engagement of Junior Teacher (Schematic) in supersession of all earlier guidelines and in terms of an advertisement issued by opposite party No.2, the petitioners and others applied, however, the selection procedure

and the select list was challenged in a batch of cases including W.P.(C) No.978 of 2024 disposed of by a judgment dated 12th March, 2024, but it was challenged in W.A. No.712 of 2024 and connected appeals allowed on contest holding that the process of selection to be correct. The further submission is that about 20000 vacancies had been advertised but only 13000 posts were filled up. Against the disposal of writ appeals, RVWPET No.122 of 2025 was filed at the instance of the State Government disposed of on 21st January, 2026 without complying the orders in the IAs filed therein to the effect that 2nd cut-off mark shall be fixed to fill up the left-out vacancies. It is submitted that second merit select list is to be prepared and hence, the petitioners' candidature needs a consideration, hence, them having approached opposite party No.2 by a representation dated 9th February, 2026 as at Annexure-3, a direction may perhaps be issued for its disposal within a stipulated period.

4. A copy of the judgment W.A. Nos.580, 727, 740 and 712 of 2024 dated 18th June, 2024 is produced at the time of hearing for the Court's perusal.

5. Recorded the submission of Mrs. Mohanty, learned ASC for the State.

6. In view of the order in RVWPET No.122 of 2025 at Annexure-2 arising out of W.A. No.712 of 2024, this Court is inclined to direct opposite party No.2 to deal with the representation dated 9th February, 2026 as at Annexure-3

received from the petitioners and to pass appropriate order thereon at the earliest preferably within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order before preparation of the 2nd select list in view of the directions issued in the IAs.

7. Accordingly, it is ordered.

8. In the result, the writ petition stands disposed of with the direction as aforesaid for early compliance by opposite party No.2.

9. Issue urgent certified copy as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

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