**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK**
**W.P.(C) No.35691 of 2026**
**CNR No. ODHC010843892026**

***Laxmikanta Swain***

…. ***Petitioner***

Ms. S. Das, Advocate

*-versus-*

***State of Odisha & Ors.*** ***Opposite Parties***

….

Mr. C. K. Pradhan, AGA

**CORAM:**
**JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY**

**ORDER**

**Order No.** **04.11.2026**

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

**2.** Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner and learned counsel appearing for the Opp. Parties.

**3.** Petitioner has filed the present Writ Petition *inter alia* with the following prayer: -

> *"In view of the facts and circumstances stated hereinabove, the petitioner most respectfully prays that this Hon'ble Court may graciously be pleased to:*
>
> *i. Direct the Opposite Parties to grant 10% annual increment in favour of the petitioner from the date of his eligibility under Clause 2.9(ii) of the ATMA Guidelines, 2014 and 2018 w.e.f. 2014.*
>
> *ii. Direct the Opposite Parties to release all consequential arrear financial benefits arising therefrom within a stipulated period.*
>
> *iii. And/or in the alternative, direct the Opposite Parties to consider and dispose of the petitioner's representation dated 12.03.2025 by passing a speaking and reasoned order within a stipulated period.*

*Pass such other order(s) as may be deemed fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case for the ends of justice and equity.*

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

**4.** Learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that through highlighting his grievances, Petitioner has filed a representation at Annexure-6 to the Writ Petition before the Opposite 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 the 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 the 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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