IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.36249 of 2026
(CNR No.ODHC010851372026)

Kalandi Malik and another …. **Petitioners**

Mr. K.K. Swain, Advocate

-Versus-

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

Mrs. Siva Mohanty, ASC

CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER
09.11.2026

Order No.

01. 1. Heard Mr. Swain, learned counsel for the petitioner 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 to extend the benefits allowed to other teaching and non-teaching staff of their school in question and in view of the judgment in FAO No.281 of 2018 arising out of GIA Case No.195 of 2012 and to release grant-in-aid in their favour as per GIA Order, 1994 instead of Block Grant as per GIA Order, 2004 within a stipulated period.

3. Mr. Swain, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that upon disposal of FAO No.281 of 2018 confirming the order in GIA Case No.195 of 2012, the petitioners are eligible and entitled to similar benefits extended to others and hence, have approached opposite party No.2 with a joint representation, which is pending orders. The submission is that

in view of order in the FAO vide Annexure-3, the petitioners are equally eligible for the grant-in-aid. The apprehension of the petitioners, as according to Mr. Swain, learned counsel, is that they may not be considered for the grant-in-aid benefits having not approached the Education Tribunal.

4. Having regard to the facts pleaded on record and the submissions as above and response of the State, this Court, in view of the common judgment disposing of the appeals as against the order in GIA cases, is inclined to direct opposite party No.2 to deal with the representation at Annexure-4 and take a decision thereon followed by an order at the earliest but within a stipulated period.

5. Accordingly, it is ordered.

6. In the result, the writ petition stands disposed of with a direction to opposite party No.2 to consider the representation as at Annexure-4 and to pass an appropriate orders in view of disposal of the FAO vide Annexure-3 on the plea of the petitioners vis-à-vis release of grant-in-aid as per GIA Order, 1994 instead of GIA Order, 2004 preferably within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

7. Issue urgent certified copy as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

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