IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.37854 of 2026
(CNR No.ODHC010889892026)

Sulochana Dalai …. **Petitioner**

Mr. B.K.Behera-1, Advocate

-Versus-

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

Mr. S.K.Parhi, ASC

CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER
16.11.2026

Order No.

01. 1. Heard Mr. Behera, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. Parhi, learned ASC for the State.

2. Instant writ petition is filed by the petitioner challenging the impugned decision by order dated 31st October, 2026 as at Annexure-14 on the grounds stated.

3. The petitioner challenged the order of removal in W.P. (C) No. 25467 of 2026 pending disposal at present and therein vide I.A. No. 15093 of 2026, direction was issued to keep such order in abeyance till 31st October, 2026. Mr. Behera, learned counsel would submit that after the order in the said I.A., the District Education Officer, Jajpur, namely, opposite party No.9 passed the order at Annexure-13 dated 2nd September, 2026 keeping the removal order in abeyance up to the said date but thereafter, it has been followed by Annexure-14 directing such removal and denying the petitioner to join in her duty in the school in question after 31st October, 2026.

4. Recorded the submissions and objection of Mr. Parhi, learned ASC for the State.

5. Since the petitioner has challenged the order of removal in W.P. (C) No. 25467 of 2026 pending disposal and thereafter, an interim order has been passed in the I.A. and as informed to the Court by Mr. Behera, learned counsel that again such removal order vide Annexure-14, hence, CONTC-D No. 54787 of 2026 and also I.A. No. 21568 of 2026 arising out of W.P.(C) No. 25467 of 2026 are filed and pending orders, this Court is of the view that the matter should be disposed leaving it open for him to challenge the removal order dated 31st October, 2026 with interim protection and accordingly, it is directed.

6. In the result, the writ petition stands disposed of with the observation made hereinabove, however, pending orders in I.A. No.21568 of 2026 in W.P.(C) No. 25467 of 2026, the order as at Annexure-14 and its implementation shall be deferred and not to be given effect to till any such order is passed therein.

7. Issue urgent certified copy of this order in course of the day and also be uploaded today in the High Court's website.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

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