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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No. 38588 of 2026
(CNR No. ODHC010902982026)

Swati Sucharita Padhi .... **Petitioner**

Mr. Sangram Jena, Advocate

-Versus-

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

Mr. Chandra Madhab Singh, ASC

CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER
25.11.2026

Order No.

01. 1. Heard Mr. Jena, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. Singh, learned ASC.

2. Instant writ petition is filed by the petitioner seeking for a direction to opposite party No.2, in particular, to consider her online application seeking inter-district transfer under PWD category in terms of the Government's guideline issued by Notification dated 4th October, 2018 followed by Notification dated 19th August, 2023 as at Annexures-2 and 3 respectively on the grounds stated.

3. The petitioner is presently posted as Assistant Teacher (Level- V-A) in Government Primary School, Ludupada under Chandahandi Block in the district of Nabarangpur. The plea of the petitioner is for inter-district transfer to Balangir district in terms of the Notifications as at Annexures-2 and 3.

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4. The submission of Mr. Jena, learned counsel referring to the notifications (supra) is that the petitioner is eligible and entitled to inter-district transfer as per Clause-2(l) of the Notification dated 4th October, 2018 i.e. Annexure-2. It is claimed that the petitioner's online application was duly recommended by opposite party No.3 as revealed from the record. It is claimed that the petitioner's successive representations achieved no result and claiming so, Mr. Jena learned counsel refers to Annexures-5 and 6 series. It is further submitted that the application i.e. Annexure-4 received from the petitioner requesting inter-district transfer should be considered within a time line fixed.

5. Recorded the response of the State.

6. Perused the Notification as at Annexure-2 and it received modification in the year 2023 vide Annexure-3, however, Clasue-2(l) of the Notification dated 4th October, 2018 was retained. The claim is that the petitioner's inter-district transfer should be considered in accordance with the Government's guidelines and the notification as above. Having regard to the above facts and submission of Mr. Singh, learned ASC to the effect that he has no instructions available, this Court, regard being had to the fact that online application of the petitioner is pending for long and hence, inclined to dispose it of at the stage of admission, is of the view that opposite party No.2 should be directed to consider such application i.e.

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Annexure-4 within a stipulated period. Accordingly, it is ordered.

7. In the result, the writ petition stands disposed with the direction, as aforesaid. It is further directed that the opposite party No.2 shall take a decision on the online application of the petitioner at Annexure-4 soon after receiving a copy of this order preferably within two weeks of such communication received by him keeping in view the Government's Notifications as at Annexures-2 and 3.

8. Urgent certified copy of be issued as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

satapathy