



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
WP(C) No.15728 of 2016

Mandakini Mishra

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Petitioner

Mr. N. Biswal, Advocate

-versus-

***LIC of India, Div Office, Surya.....
Nagar, BBSR & Ors.***

Opposite Parties

Mr. A.K. Mohanty, Advocate
(Opp. Party Nos. 1 & 2)
Ms. S. Mishra, Advocate
(Opp. Party Nos. 3(a) to 3(e))

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY

ORDER

09.07.2026

Order No.27

1. This matter is taken up through hybrid mode.
2. Heard Mr. N. Biswal, learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner, Mr. A.K. Mohanty, learned counsel appearing for the Corporation and Ms. S. Mishra, learned counsel appearing for Opp. Party Nos. 3(a) to 3(e), the legal heirs of the original nominee.
3. Learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner contended that the issue is no more res integra in view of the judgment delivered by this Court in the case of ***Snigdha Patnaik @ Mohanty vs. General Manager, Circle Office, Canara Bank, BBSR*** (W.P.(C) No. 41538 of 2023) decided on 20.01.2026. It is accordingly contended that in view of the decision so rendered by this Court, Petitioner being the wife of the deceased nominee, she is entitled to get all the benefits as due and admissible from the Corporation.



4. Even though Ms. S. Mishra, learned counsel appearing for the legal heirs of the original nominee contended that the decision is not applicable to the present case, but this Court after going through the Judgment is of the view that the issue involved in the present case is squarely covered by the aforesaid judgment of this Court.

5. In view of the aforesaid analysis, this Court is of the view that the impugned order has been passed illegally by the Opp. Party-Corporation. Therefore, this Court while quashing the impugned order dtd.08.08.2016 so passed by Opp. Party No. 2 under Annexure-9, dispose of the writ petition in the light of the judgment dtd.20.01.2026.

5.1. Opp. Party-Corporation is directed to release all the benefits as due and admissible to the deceased employee in favour of the Petitioner within a period of two (2) months from the date of receipt of this order.

6. The writ petition accordingly stands disposed of.

(BIRAJA PRASANNA SATAPATHY)
Judge

Sneha