



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

FAO No.65 of 2026

The Regional Manager (T.P.Hub) Appellant
(Authorised Signatories) M/s. Oriental
Insurance Co.Ltd., Khurda

Mr. P.K.Tripathy, Advocate

-versus-

Ketaki Mahanta and others Respondents
Mr. D. Pattnaik, Advocate for Respondent No.1

CORAM:
JUSTICE B. P. ROUTRAY

ORDER
07.07.2026

Order No.

I.A. No.108 of 2026

01. 1. Since the receipt showing deposit of award amount before the Commissioner has been filed, the I.A. is disposed of.

I.A. No.1005 of 2026

2. Heard Mr. Tripathy, learned counsel for the Appellant-Insurance Company and Mr. D. Pattnaik, learned counsel for the Respondent No.1-claimants.

3. Upon hearing both parties and considering the grounds mentioned in the limitation petition, the delay in filing the appeal is condoned.

4. The I.A. is disposed of.



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5. Though the matter is listed under the heading “For Orders”, but on the request of learned counsels for the parties, the same is taken up for final disposal.

6. Present appeal by the insurer is directed against the judgment and award dated 12th August 2025 passed in E.C. Case No.EC-00093/2023 by the Commissioner for Employee’s Compensation-cum-Joint Labour Commissioner, Cuttack, wherein compensation to the tune of Rs.20,67,826/- including interest has been granted to the claimants on account of death of the deceased in course of and arising out of the employment as a Driver in Car bearing Registration No.OD-02-AA-0311 belonging to Respondent No.2.

7. In course of hearing, it is submitted by Mr. Patnaik, learned counsel for claimants-Respondent No.1, that a consolidated amount of Rs.12,50,000/- as compensation would satisfy her purpose. Accordingly, when Appellant-Insurer is suggested with aforesaid amount, Mr. Tripathy, learned counsel for the Appellant leaves it to the discretion of the court. As such, the reduced compensation of Rs.12,50,000/- as suggested on behalf of claimants-Respondent No.1 and not objected by the Appellant-Insurer, is determined.

8. Since the entire award amount has been deposited before the learned Commissioner, out of the same, a consolidated sum of Rs.12,50,000/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Fifty Thousand only) along with accrued interest thereof be disbursed in favour of the claimants-Respondent No.1 within a period of two months from



today. The rest amount along with proportionate accrued interest shall be refunded to the insurer – Appellant.

9. With aforesaid modification of the award, the FAO is disposed of.

10. An urgent certified of this order be granted on proper application.

(B.P. Routray)
Judge

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