



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No. 30721 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010735492026

***Saraswat Institute of Management,
having its Office at Keranda, Bajpur,
Bhubaneswar represented through the
Director (Administration)***

.... Petitioner

Mr. Amit Pattnaik, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and Others

.... Opp. Parties

**Mr. S.N. Nayak, ASC
(For O.P. No.1)**

**Mr. N.R. Routray, Advocate
(For O.P. No.3-BPUT)**

**Mr. S. Palit, Senior Advocate
(For O.P. No.4)**

**Mr. D.P. Nanda, Senior Advocate
and Mr. P.K. Rath, Senior Advocate
(For Intervenor)**

**CORAM:
JUSTICE B. P. ROUTRAY
JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO**

**ORDER
15.10.2026**

Order No.

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1. Heard Mr. Amit Pattnaik, learned counsel for the Petitioner, Mr. S. Palit, learned Senior Advocate for Opposite Party No.4 (OJEE), Mr. S.N. Nayak, learned Additional Standing Counsel for State-Opposite Party No.1 and Mr. N.R. Routray, learned counsel for Opposite Party No.3 (BPUT).

2. Mr. D.P. Nanda, learned Senior Advocate and Mr. P.K. Rath, learned Senior Advocate appears through intervention for some students seeking admission in Petitioner-Institution.



3. Considering the urgency involved in the case, the matter is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission with the consent of all parties present.

4. The Petitioner-Institution has prayed for permitting the admission of 166 students in the Master in Business Administration (MBA) course for the academic year 2026-27.

5. It is submitted on behalf of the Petitioner-Institution that it has the affiliation of BPUT and after the affiliation, it applied to OJEE authority on 14.08.2026 with the list of 166 students for admission to the MBA course for the academic year 2026-27. But due to the fault on the part of the OJEE authority, the same could not be published in the web portal of OJEE enabling the Petitioner-Institution to complete the admission process.

6. Mr. S. Palit, learned Senior Advocate appearing on behalf of Opposite Party No.4 (OJEE) submits that earlier 14.08.2026 was fixed as last date for taking admission, but as per the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 12.08.2026 passed in M.A. No. 2375 of 2026 (arising out of in C.A. No. 9048 of 2012), the last date was extended till 14th September 2026. In this regard, the notification dated 13.08.2026 (Annexure-7) was issued by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)-Opposite Party No.2 prescribing the last date for admission of students till 14th September 2026.

7. According to Mr. Palit, learned Senior Advocate appearing on behalf of Opposite Party No.4 (OJEE), the application of the Petitioner-Institution dated 14.08.2026 is



pending with the OJEE till date.

8. Thus taking such circumstances into consideration that the Petitioner-Institution has applied to the OJEE with the list of students on 14.08.2026 without any fault on their part, and that OJEE did not take action to publish the list in the web portal enabling such students for admission into the MBA course, we are inclined to permit the Petitioner-Institution to complete the process of admission.

9. It is prudent to state here that, the Petitioner-Institution upon his application to the OJEE with the list of students was not communicated with any reason by the OJEE either for rejecting the prayer of the Petitioner-Institution or enabling it to take the admission.

10. So, in the circumstance when the affiliation of BPUT with the Petitioner-Institution is not disputed and his application for enabling admission of the students was pending with the OJEE till date, we are constrained to permit the Petitioner-Institution to complete the admission process of such students, as per the list furnished to the OJEE, on or before 31st October 2026.

11. Mr. Palit, learned Senior Advocate appearing on behalf of Opposite Party No.4 (OJEE) as well as Mr. N.R. Routray, learned counsel for the Opposite Party No.3 (BPUT) in all fairness does not object for admission of the students in Petitioner-Institution on or before the said date. It goes without saying that the OJEE authority shall upload the list of students along with the name of the Petitioner-Institution in their web



portal as soon as possible and the BPUT shall issue consequential registration number.

12. With the aforesaid observations and directions, the writ petition is disposed of.

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

(B.P. Routray)
Judge

(Savitri Ratho)
Judge

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