



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

**W.P.(C) No.20323 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010477392026**

Sanatan Das

..... Petitioner
Mr. S. Mohanty, Advocate

-versus-

***Registrar, Utkal University, Vani
Vihar, Bhubaneswar others***

..... Opposite Parties

**Mr. G.Tripathy, A.G.A.
Mr. M.Ojha on behalf of Mr. T.N.Pattanayak, Advocate for
O.P.1 & 2**

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

**ORDER
19.08.2026**

**Order No.
02.**

1. Heard Mr. S. Mohanty, learned counsel for the Petitioner, Mr. Tripathy, learned Additional Government Advocate for the State- Opposite Parties 3 & 4 and Mr. Ojha, learned counsel for Opposite Parties 1 & 2.

2. The grievance of the Petitioner is regarding payment of pension and pensionary benefits upon his retirement on superannuation.

3. It is submitted that, a clarification was sought for by the University from Government of Odisha in this regard and as per Letter No.22942 dated 30.5.2023 of the Government of Odisha in Higher Education Department (Annexure-5), the Registrar, Utkal University was given liberty to implement the old pension



scheme in respect of those Non-Mess employees of the University from their own source. It is submitted that, thereafter the University has not taken any step till date.

4. Upon hearing both parties, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the Registrar, Utkal University, Vani Vihar, Bhubaneswar (Opposite Party No.1) to take appropriate decision concerning the grievance of the Petitioner regarding payment of pension and pensionary benefits to him as per the clarification given by the Government under Annexure-5, in accordance with law, within a period two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

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

(B.P. Routray)
Judge

S.Das