IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
W.P.(C) No. 37753 of 2026
CNR No. ODHC010884922026

Swarup Kumar Patnaik .... ***Petitioners***

Mr. Niranjan Lenka, Advocate

-versus-

1.State of Odisha
2.Collector, Mayurbhanj
3.Block Development Officer, Betnoti, Mayurbhanj .... ***Opp. Parties***

Mr. U.C. Behura, AGA

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HON'BLE MISS JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO
ORDER

Order No. **27.11.2026**
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(Through hybrid Mode)

1. The grievance of the Petitioner who claims to be Secretary of Baisinga Media Centre, is that a Community Centre has been constructed in Baisinga, for the benefit of journalists of the nearby rural area, up to roof level. Scaffolding and iron rods for casting of roof had been put up since April 2025, but the work was stalled at this stage possibly on account of change in Government. For this the local journalists are suffering.

2. Though the Petitioner and other members of the media center approached the Opposite Party No.2- Collector and the Opposite Party No.3-BDO requesting them to take steps for completion of construction of the community centre, but their request has fallen on deaf ears. As considerable amount of public money has already been spent for constructing the community centre up to roof level, unless the building is completed, the money so spent will go waste.

3. Mr. Lenka, learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the representation dated 08.07.2025 has been given to the Opposite Party No.2-Collector, but that has not had any effect.

4. Since, there is no document on record that the representation has been received in the Office of the Collector, the writ application is disposed of granting liberty to the Petitioner to file a fresh representation before the Opposite Party No.2-Collector.

5. If such representation is filed within a period of two weeks, it shall be considered in accordance with law within a period of four weeks from the date of its receipt.

6. It is made clear that this Court has not gone into the merit of case of the Petitioner.

7. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted on proper application.

(Savitri Ratho)
Judge

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