



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
CONTC No.5546 of 2025

Tapan Kumar Pattanaik **Petitioner**

Mr. S. Jena, Advocate

-versus-

Arvind Agrawal, IAS, Commissioner- cum-Secretary to Govt. of Odisha, Higher Education Department, Bhubaneswar **Opp.Party**

Mr. S.K. Jee, AGA

CORAM:
JUSTICE DIXIT KRISHNA SHRIPAD

Order No.
02.

ORDER
16.01.2026

The complaint alleges violation of the non-compliance of the order dated 30.07.2025 in W.P.(C) No.21106 of 2025, wherein the operative portion reads as under:

“In the above circumstances, writ petition is disposed of prescribing a period of eight (8) weeks for taking a decision on the subject representation and also to inform result of such consideration to the petitioner herein.

It is open to the answering opposite parties to solicit any information or documents from the side of the petitioner, as required for taking a decision on the subject representation. However, in that guise delay shall not be brooked.”

2. The sole contemnor was granted time vide order dated 12.12.2025 which reads as under:

*“Learned AGA submits that compliance shall be reported on the next date of hearing.
Call these matters next week.”*



Till date, there is no compliance in terms of undertaking. Thus, there is non-compliance of the order and there is breach of undertaking. Therefore, it is a case of aggravated contempt.

In the above circumstances, issue arrest warrant against the sole contemnor to produce him before this Court on 22.01.2026. However, in the meanwhile, if the compliance is reported, there shall be no coercive action in terms of this order against the contemnor.

Web copy of this order to be acted upon by all concerned.

(Dixit Krishna Shripad)
Judge

Madhusmita