

W.P.(C) Nos. 24049, 24050 and 24051 of 2013

Present : Laxman Kumar Sahu (W.P.(C) No. 24049 of 2013)
Bhagaban Nayak (W.P.(C) No. 24050 of 2013)
Debarpriya Mahanta (W.P.(C) No. 24051 of 2013)

None for the opp. parties.

02. 31.10.2013

These petitions are for quashing of the advertisement dated 7.10.2013 (Annexure-3) for allotting the shop-rooms in the newly constructed market in favour of the SC and ST persons.

The case of the petitioners is that prior to 1998, they were having shops for about 18 years. In 1998, the Panchayat decided to construct the new market with an assurance that after completion of the market building, the affected persons will be rehabilitated. Instead of rehabilitating the petitioners the rooms are proposed to be allotted in favour of the SC and ST persons.

The petitioners made representations on 13.2.2006 to the Collector, Keonjhar, but the same were not considered.

We have heard the petitioners in person.

We do not find any averments in the petitions that against the advertisement dated 7.10.2013 the petitioners approached the Collector, Keonjhar opp. party no.2 or opp. party no.1 represented through the Secretary, Panchayat Raj Department. It appears that

even according to the petitioners, the said opp. parties have the authority to look into the grievance of the petitioners against the advertisement issued by opp. party no.2.

In this circumstance, we permit the petitioners to approach the Collector-opp. party no.2 within a period of one month from today. If such approach is made, the Collector may consider and dispose of the matter in accordance with law within two months thereafter.

The petitions are disposed of accordingly.

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A.K.Goel, C.J.

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S. Panda, J.

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