IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK W.P.(C) No. 23248 of 2023

Chemutu Sahoo Petitioner

Mr. A. Tripathy, Adv.

Vs.

State of Odisha and others

Opposite Parties Mr. S. Nayak, ASC

CORAM:

DR. JUSTICE B.R. SARANGI MR. JUSTICE MURAHARI SRI RAMAN

ORDER 31.07.2023

Order No.

This matter is taken up by hybrid mode.

- 2. Heard Mr. A. Tripathy, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. S. Nayak, learned Addl. Standing Counsel appearing for the State-Opposite Parties.
- 3. The petitioner has filed this writ petition making innocuous prayer for disposal of their representation under Annexure-4, by which they seek disposal of "L.A. Misc. Case No...... of 2015 (arising out of case No.51/10, in the office of L.A. Collector, Dhenkanal)" by referring the matter to the civil court under Section 18 of the L.A. Act, 1894.
- 4. This Court is not inclined to issue any direction to refer the matter to the civil court under Section 18 of the L.A. Act, 1894, which is said to be pending before the Land Acquisition Officer, because nothing has been placed on record to indicate that such an application is pending from 2015. In any case, since the petitioner have made innocuous prayer for consideration of their application under Annexure-4, this Court disposes of this writ petition with the direction that if such an application under Section 18 of the L.A. Act, 1894 is pending before the Collector, Dhenkanal, without causing any further delay, he shall consider the same and

pass appropriate order in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of one month from the date of production of certified copy of this order.

Laxmikant

(DR. B.R. SARANGI) JUDGE

> (M.S. RAMAN) JUDGE



