

## IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK W.P.(C) No.29713 of 2024

Debasis Nayak .... Petitioner

Represented By Adv. – Mr. S.S. Padhy, Advocate

-versus-

The Chief Commissioner GST and .... Opposite Parties Central Excise and Customs, BBSR Zone, BBSR and others

Represented By Adv. – Mr. Tushar Kanti Satapathy, Senior Standing Counsel

## CORAM: THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARINDAM SINHA AND THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.S. SAHOO

## ORDER 30.11.2024

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1. Mr. Padhy, learned advocate appears on behalf of petitioner and submits, impugned are show cause notice dated 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2020, order in original dated 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 and first appellate order dated 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2024. He submits, it will appear from dates of the show cause notice and order in original, the latter was passed beyond time. That is sufficient ground for his client to seek interference.



- 2. Mr. Satapathy, learned advocate, Senior Standing Counsel appears on behalf of revenue and submits, petitioner went before the first appellate authority. The adjudication order has merged in the appellate order. As such petitioner must avail statutory remedy before the Tribunal. Mr. Padhy in reply submits, no reason has been given in the order in original made ex-parte against his client, why it was not possible to be made within the time prescribed. Furthermore, his client had executed work contract of the Government, exempt from tax.
- 3. Petitioner having elected to obtain statutory remedy must follow through. Contention of revenue is accepted that there has been merger. As such petitioner will be entitled to take all points before the Tribunal. Mr. Padhy submits, his client be given liberty to seek exclusion of time. Petitioner can do so in law and also has liberty to produce website copy of our order in the application for condonation, to show revenue's contention is that petitioner should appeal.
- **4.** The writ petition is disposed of as above.

(Arindam Sinha) Judge

> (M.S. Sahoo) Judge

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