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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No. 2750 of 2025

Sundar Mohan Majhi ..... ***Petitioner(s)***

Mr. B.K. Mishra, Adv.

-Versus-

State of Odisha & Ors. ..... ***Opposite Party(s)***

Mr. Sanjay Rath, AGA

CORAM:
DR. JUSTICE S.K. PANIGRAHI

ORDER

30.01.2025

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02. 1. This matter is taken up through a hybrid arrangement.

2. Pursuant to the order dated 29.01.2025 passed by this Court, the Superintendent of Police, Mayurbhanj along with the IIC, Bangiriposi are present in Court today through Virtual Mode.

3. Heard.

4. The Superintendent of Police, Mayurbhanj is directed to file an affidavit regarding the steps taken on the issues especially on the issue of the social boycott and restrained in harvesting the paddy from his own agricultural land and any other issues faced by the Petitioner. He shall also explain as to what proactive steps have been taken by the police administration to bring the present Petitioner into the mainstream against such orthodox people. The affidavit shall be filed by 25th February, 2025.

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5. List this matter on 25th February, 2025.

6. In the meantime, the police administration shall extend assistance to the Petitioner to perform the death ritual of his deceased wife. It is also made clear that, no member of any NGO except the family members of the Petitioner should be there to perform the death ritual without any assistance. The police administration shall also take steps to allow the Petitioner to use the water from common well including the tube-well and other common resources of the village.

7. Personal appearance of the Superintendent of Police, Mayurbhanj and the IIC, Bangiriposi are dispensed with.

(Dr. S.K. Panigrahi)
Judge

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