

PROCEEDING OF THE 307th VIRTUAL MEETING OF STA, ODISHA, CUTTACK HELD ON 23.04.2026.

MEMBERS PRESENT:-

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| 1- Shri Amitabh Thakur, IPS
Transport Commissioner, Odisha | ... | ... | Chairman |
| 2- Shri Shibo Toppo, OAS (SAG)
Secretary, STA | ... | ... | Member |
| 3- Shri Somit Mitra | ... | ... | Member |

At the outset, the Chairman, STA welcomed all the members of the STA to the 307th virtual meeting of STA.

Proceedings of the 306th virtual meeting of State Transport Authority held on 10.12.2025 circulated among all the members vide this Office Memo No.4514/TC dated 20.03.2026 is confirmed.

Action taken by Chairman, STA, Secretary, STA and Addl. Secretary, STA as per delegation of powers by STA for the period from 10.12.2025 to 22.04.2026 are approved.

1. POLICY DECISION

1.1. Grant of temporary permit by RTA on rationalized routes.

In order to provide last mile connectivity and in modification of earlier decision taken by STA, keeping in view interest of travelling public, after due deliberation it was resolved that the RTA will grant temporary permit to stage carriages with clash free timing on intra region routes irrespective of the fact that the route / portion of the route covers rationalization of timing.

1.2. Transfer of Stage Carriage Permit to 3rd party.

In partial modification of decision taken in 299th STA meeting held on 20.01.2023 it was resolved that while computing total period of ten years of a route in respect of permanent stage carriage permit, the period operated by father and son will be taken into consideration.

1.3. Transfer of Stage Carriage Permit between family members.

In partial modification of decision taken in 283rd STA meeting held on 27.10.2016 it was resolved that the family will also include spouse.

1.4. **Grant of permanent stage carriage permit to PWD applicants.**

The STA in its 303rd meeting held on 05.11.2024 resolved the following:-

“Ten marks shall be given to PWD applicant having disability 60% or above”

After due deliberation it was resolved that ten marks will be awarded to a person with more than 60% physical disability stage carriage owner twice only where the applicant gets the permit.

1.5 **Grant of countersignature in respect of stage carriage permits issued by reciprocating States and realization of tax from those vehicles.**

While going through the matter relating to countersignature of permanent stage carriage permits issued by reciprocating states in terms of Reciprocal Transport Agreement, it was noticed that other state stage carriage permit holders after obtaining permits from concerned STA are not approaching STA, Odisha to get the said permit countersigned enabling them to operate buses on the given interstate routes. In some cases countersignature of stage carriage permits are not issued by STA, Odisha within the reasonable time on some plea or other. Similar, is the case for countersignature of replacement of vehicle and revision of timing and transfer of permit etc. In some cases other state stage carriage operators are operating on interstate routes without countersignature granted by STA, Odisha and without payment of tax due to the State of Odisha causing loss of revenue.

STA in its 291st meeting held on date 19.02.2020 decided that, **“where permanent stage carriage permit was issued on any interstate route and not countersigned by reciprocating State within three months from the date of issue or within such further time as may be granted by STA, renewal of such permit shall not be considered. Besides steps will also be taken for cancellation of permit before its expiry under Section 86 of M.V. Act, 1988. The permit holder will furnish / upload self-declaration in Annexure-C at the time of making application for renewal of permit.”**

In order to overcome aforesaid situation, after due deliberation it was resolved that :-

“Where permanent stage carriage permit issued on any interstate route by reciprocating State and not countersigned by STA, Odisha in terms of Reciprocal Transport Agreement within three months from the date of issue or

within such further time as may be granted by STA of that other State, renewal of such permit shall not be considered. The permit holder of other State shall have to pay Odisha tax due from the date of issue of permit by the Reciprocating State irrespective of the fact that the said permit was not countersigned by STA, Odisha. The above decision shall be applicable to the matter relating to countersignature of replacement of vehicle and revision of timing and transfer of permit etc."

Further, during discussion with reciprocating States the representatives of that other State brought to the notice of STA that the stage carriage permits issued by STA of reciprocating State are not being countersigned by STA, Odisha for which other State stage carriage operators are facing difficulties in plying their vehicles on the interstate routes as per Reciprocal Transport Agreement.

In order to overcome such situation it was resolved that :-

- (a) Upon receipt of application with requisite fee, copy of permit and recommendation letter issued by reciprocating State, the file shall be processed by Permit Section to obtain orders of Chairman / Secretary, STA to accord countersignature within five working days.
- (b) In case there is difficulty in countersigning the permit issued by reciprocating State in terms of Reciprocal Transport Agreement, the primary permit granting authority and the permit holder be intimated by e-mail / speed post within seven working days.
- (c) Countersignature of permit shall not be delayed on basis of objection filed by existing permit holder regarding allotment of timing by permit granting authority. In such case permit may be countersigned and timing may be countersigned provisionally for a period of three months within which period the objection will be decided.
- (d) Steps should be taken to deal with all application for grant / countersignature of stage carriage permit and related activities online only. The PMU, STA will ensure to complete the required activities within one month.
- (e) The Dealing Assistant of Interstate Permit Section shall furnish report to Chairman, STA through Secretary, STA, the following information in every fifteen days indicating the following.
 - (i) Name of permit holder.

- (ii) Vehicle No.
- (iii) Route.
- (iv) Permit validity.
- (v) Nature of service.
- (vi) Type of vehicle (Deluxe / A.C. Deluxe / A.C. Deluxe Sleeper etc)
- (vii) Date of application for countersignature.
- (viii) Date of processing the application.
- (ix) Final decision taken by Chairman, STA / Secretary, STA.
- (x) Whether the vehicle complies with all requirements of Reciprocal Transport Agreement.
- (xi) Whether payment of tax / penalty has been ensured from the date of issue of permit by the reciprocating State at appropriate slab.
- (xii) Number of interstate routes vacant as on date and whether same has been notified in the website.
- (xiii) Number of applications pending for issue / renewal of stage carriage permit and replacement of vehicle etc pending as on date in respect of home State vehicles and reason thereof.

INTER REGION ROUTE (CASE MATTER)

ITEM NO.01:-CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION OF DILLIP KUMAR SAHOO FOR RENEWAL OF PERMANENT PERMIT VIDE NO.PP99/160030/G AND REPLACEMENT OF VEHICLE NO.OR05Z-1742 BY OD05AV-0199 ON THE ROUTE FROM CUTTACK TO TIKHIRI & CUTTACK TO PARADEEP AND BACK.

Heard Sri S. Mishra, Advocate for Sri Dillip Kumar Sahoo.

Permanent Permit no.PP99/160030/G was issued to Sri Dillip Kumar Sahoo in respect of vehicle no.OR05Z-1742 on the route Cuttack to Tikhiri & Cuttack to Paradeep & back which is valid till 28.01.2026 w.e.f. 29.01.2021.

He has applied for renewal of PP along with replacement of existing vehicle No.OR05Z-1742 by another vehicle No.OD05AV-0199 on 30.12.2025.

On verification from VAHAN database it is seen that, the F.C of existing vehicle OR05Z-1742 was valid till 24.03.2022 and the registration certificate of said vehicle deemed to be valid for the purpose of Section 39 of M.V. Act, 1988 w.e.f. 25.03.2022 onwards. Insurance certificate was valid till 13.03.2022. Consequent

upon invalidation of fitness certificate and registration certificate of vehicle OR05Z-1742, the vehicle stopped operating in the given route from 25.03.2022 till validity of P.P. i.e. 28.01.2026 for more than three years and ten months causing inconvenience to travelling public.

Notice was issued to Sri Dillip Kumar Sahoo owner of vehicle no-OR05Z-1742 to file show cause vide this office letter No.5346/TC dated 20.04.2026 by Speed Post as to why the P.P vide No. PP99/160030/G shall not be cancelled and to appear before STA on 23.04.2026 for hearing.

It is not disputed that his vehicle was under off road did not operate in the given route for more than three years and ten months causing inconvenience to travelling public. The permit holder also did not intimate the STA about non-operation of bus for more than three years and ten months as required under rule 75 (3) of OMV Rules, 1993.

The permit holder did not operate his vehicle for more than three years and ten months without intimating the fact of non-operation of his vehicle to STA violating permit conditions for which the permit is liable to be cancelled under Section 86 (1) (a) of M.V. Act, 1988. The members of STA, after due deliberation, are of the view that the permit holder has failed to operate the bus in the given route for more than three years and ten months and thereby violated permit condition. Decision of STA to cancel the permit due to non operation is squarely applicable to the present case.

Show cause filed by Sri Dillip Kumar Sahoo has been considered.

It is not disputed that his vehicle was under off road did not operate in the given route for three years and ten months causing inconvenience to travelling public. The permit holder also did not intimate the STA about non-operation of bus as required under rule 75 (3) of OMV Rules, 1993.

Considering facts and circumstances mentioned above, after due deliberation, STA decided to reject application for renewal of permanent permit and replacement of vehicle OR05Z-1742 filed by Sri Dillip Kumar Sahoo is rejected.

It was decided to notify the route in the website inviting applications for grant of permanent permit in the interest of commuting public. The applicant may apply for grant of permanent permit pursuant to notification which will be considered along with other applications.

ITEM NO.02:- CANCELLATION OF PERMANENT PERMIT NO-PP99/170874/G IN RESPECT OF VEHICLE NO.OD05AA-3733 ON THE ROUTE FROM OSTARAHAT TO ANGUL VIA- KENDRAPADA, SALIPUR AND BACK IN FAVOUR OF SRI JUBULA KUMAR JETHY.

Notice was issued to Sri Jubula Kumar Jethy by Speed Post vide letter No.5950/TC dated 20.04.2026 to appear before STA on 23.04.2026 for hearing.

Sri Prasanta Kumar Jena, owner of vehicle No.OD04G-8684 has lifted PP vide No.SC/SIRP99/01278/2020 on the route from Rajkanika to Bhubaneswar & back valid till 06.06.2025 in Down Trip Slot No.09 with Pattamundai Departure at 03:58 hrs towards Bhubaneswar & Up Trip Slot No 97 with Cuttack Departure at 12:16 hrs towards Rajkanika via- Pattamundai in Category-A of rationalized timing.

Sri Jena has filed an application for change of Category from A to B & requested to allot him Slot No.27, Cat-B (Pattamundai departure timing at 06:19 hrs) towards Bhubaneswar in Down Trip instead of Slot No-09 with Pattamundai Departure 03:58 hrs which was earlier operated by the owner Sri Jubula Jethy owner of vehicle OR04G-8555 on the route from Ostarahat to Angul which was allotted on 18.10.2022 & accordingly office order issued vide No.14681/TC dated 21.10.2022. Sri Priyabrata Tripathy President Cuttack Private Bus Owners Association filed an objection against the above order dated 21.10.2022 and stated that the Down Trip Slot No.27, Cat-B (Pattamundai departure timing at 06:19 hrs) towards Bhubaneswar in Down Trip has already been allotted to vehicle No.OD05AA-3733 plying on the route from Ostarahat to Angul & PP has been valid till 31.10.2027.

On verification from records, it is found that the vehicle No.OR04G-8555 has been replaced by a higher model vehicle No.OR05AH-2555 & later replaced by another higher mode vehicle No.OD05AA-3733 owned by Sri Jubula Kumar Jethy. Considering allegation made against Sri Jubula Kumar Jethy, Chairman, STA has cancelled the office order No.14681/TC dated 21.10.2022.

Then Sri Prasanta Kumar Jena owner of vehicle No.OD04G-8684 has intimated that the owner of vehicle OD05AA-3733 is operating from Cuttack to Angul instead of Ostarahat to Angul via- Kendrapara & back for which permanent permit has been granted to Sri Jubula Kumar Jethy.

The Project Director, NHAI, Bhubaneswar was requested vide this office letter no.981/TC dated 19.01.2023 to intimate operational status of vehicle OD05AA-3733 on the route Cuttack to Ostarahat Via- Kendrapara & back.

In response to letter dated 19.01.2023, the Project Director, NHAI, Bhubaneswar in his letter No.387 dated 02.03.2023 has intimated that the above vehicle has not passed through the Bandalo Toll Plaza for the period from 01.11.2021 to 30.11.2022.

Upon receipt of report from NHAI, show cause notice was issued to Sri Jethy, owner of vehicle No.OD05AA-3733 vide this office letter No.5860/TC dated 18.04.2023, as to why permanent permit granted to him on the route Cuttack to Ostarahat Via- Kendrapara & back shall not be cancelled U/s 86 (1) of MV Act, 1988 for violation of permit conditions and not operating the vehicle in the aforesaid route.

Then he has submitted his show cause reply & admitted that he was not operated his vehicle on the route Ostarahat to Cuttack Via- Kendrapada and back.

Then STA in its 301st meeting held on 19.07.2023 vide item No.5.3 decided that :-

"It is not disputed that the vehicle of Sri Jethy has not operated from Ostarahat to Cuttack from 07.06.2020 onwards i.e. more than three years causing inconvenience to travelling public. The permit holder also did not intimate the STA about non-operation of bus from 07.06.2020 onwards as required under rule 75 (3) of OMV Rules, 1993.

The permit holder failed to provide service to the commuting public from Ostarahat to Cuttack since 07.06.2020 onwards i.e. more than three years from the date of issue of permit for which travelling public suffered a lot. It was resolved to cancel the permanent permit No.PP99/170874/G granted to Sri Jubula Kumar Jethy owner of vehicle No.OD05AA-3733 for non-operation of service in the given route causing inconvenience to the travelling public. The route be notified in the news paper inviting application for grant of permanent permit to deserving bus operators."

Accordingly, the route Ostarahat to Cuttack Via- Kendrapada and back was notified in the website on 25.08.2023 inviting applications for grant of permanent permit to the deserving bus operators.

Being aggrieved, Sri Jethy has filed MV Appeal No.10/2023 before the Hon'ble S.T.A.T. and Hon'ble S.T.A.T. in order dated 27.09.2023 has stayed operation of order of cancellation of PP vide No.PP99/170874/G granted in favour of petitioner/Applicant in the route from Ostarahat to Angul via- Kendrapada , Salipur & back in item No.5.3 of the proceeding of 301st virtual meeting STA, Odisha dated

19.07.2023 and subsequent notification dated 25.08.2023 regarding issuance of fresh permit in the aforesaid route till 27.10.2023.

The matter was placed in the 302nd, 303rd & 304th and 306th STA meeting and decision deferred due to interim order passed by Hon'ble STAT in M.V. Appeal No.10/2023.

In the meantime Sri Jethy has applied for replacement of his existing vehicle No.OD05AA-3733 by a higher model vehicle No.OD05BW-2455 online on 07.10.2024 which was allowed on 26.11.2024 subject to outcome of MV Appeal No.10/2023.

Hon'ble S.T.A.T. vide order dated 23.02.2026 vacated interim order 27.09.2023 passed in M.V. Appeal No.10/2023.

It was decided to cancel the permanent permit No.PP99/170874/G granted to Sri Jubula Kumar Jethyon the route Ostarahat to Angul via- Kendrapada, Salipur & back in respect of vehicle OD05BW-2455 and notify the route inviting applications for grant of permanent stage carriage permit in the interest of travelling public subject to outcome of M.V. Appeal No.10/2023 pending before Hon'ble STAT.

ITEM NO.03:-CONSIDERATION OF PETITION FILED BY TAERA BIBI AGAINST SAGUFA YASMIN FOR FRAUDULENT USE OF MANIPULATED DISABILITY CERTIFICATE TO STAGE CARRIAGE PERMIT IN THE ROUTE ARADI TO BHUBANESWAR & BACK.

Sri S. Mishra, Advocate appeared for Sagufa Yasmin owner of vehicle No.OD21T-5095.

Sri H.P Mohanty, Advocate appeared for Taera Bibi owner of vehicle No.OD15AE-1786.

Sri M.B.K Rao, Advocate appeared for Jyoshna Mohanty owner of vehicle No.OD02DK-7857.

Notice was issued to all applicants/objectors by speed post vide letter No.5825/TC dated 20.04.2026 & Letter No.5824/TC dated 20.04.2026 to appear before STA on 23.04.2026 for hearing.

Heard the counsel for the parties.

Sk. Nizamuddin on behalf of Taera Bibi owner of vehicle No.OD15AE-1786 has submitted a grievance petition before the Chairman STA in Jana Sunanivide Regd.No.403 dated 23.02.2026 against Sagufa Yasmin owner of vehicle No.OD04Y-2786 & OD21T-5095 regarding fraud committed in getting the PP vide No.PP/99/16-

G/2026 on the notified route from Aradi to Bhubaneswar & back w.e.f 17.01.2026 to 16.01.2031.

The route Akhandalmani to Bhubaneswar & back was notified in the website on 29.11.2025 inviting applications for grant of permanent stage carriage permit.

Pursuant to above advertisement, following applications received.

1. Taera Bibi, owner of vehicle OD15AE-1786
2. Smt. Sagufa Yasmin, owner of vehicle OD04Y-2786
3. Smt. Sanjukta Nayak, Not Valid RC
4. Smt. Sagufa Yasmin, owner of vehicle OD21T-5095
5. Sri Santosh Kumar Samantara, owner of vehicle OD05BL-6899
6. Sri Tapas Ranjan Panda, owner of vehicle OD22AC-1628
7. Smt. Jyotshna Mohanty, owner of vehicle OD02DK-7857

Taera Bibi owner of vehicle No.OD15AE-1786 has submitted an application along with form 24 issued by RTO, Sambalpur on 02.02.2026 wherein it was mentioned that at the time of registration of her vehicle No.OD15AE-1786 is registered as "Bus" in the Registration Certificate for which secured only 70 marks. Subsequently, the RTO, Sambalpur has corrected type of bus as "AC Deluxe" instead of "Bus". Further she has requested to rectify her marks to 85 instead of 70 marks which was duly considered on 20.02.2026.

On the basis of evaluation criteria the applicant Taera Bibi, owner of vehicle OD15AE-1786 has secured 85 marks.

On the basis of evaluation criteria the applicant Sagufa Yasmin, owner of vehicle No.OD04Y-2786 has secured 95 marks including five marks on the basis of PWD certificate and five marks being women.

Applicant Smt. Sanjukta Nayak was absent. She has submitted Bank Guarantee and self-declaration in Annexure-A and B.

Application filed by the above applicant is rejected as she has not produced valid registration certificate till the last date of receipt of applications for grant of permanent stage carriage permit to deserving bus operator.

On the basis of evaluation criteria the applicant Sagufa Yasmin owner of vehicle No.OD21T-5095 has secured 95 marks including five marks on the basis of PWD certificate and five marks being women. Permanent permit was granted to her on 13.01.2026 and she has lifted PP vide No.PP/99/16-G/2026 on the above vacant route Aradi to Bhubaneswar & Back valid from 17.01.2026 to 16.01.2031.

On the basis of evaluation criteria the applicant Sri Santosh Kumar Samantara, owner of vehicle OD05BL-6899 has secured 40 marks.

On the basis of evaluation criteria the applicant Sri Tapas Ranjan Panda, owner of vehicle OD22AC-1628 has secured 65 marks.

On the basis of evaluation criteria the applicant Smt. Jyotshna Mohanty, owner of vehicle OD02DK-7857 has secured 85 marks.

It is pertinent to mention here that at the time of filing application Sagufa Yasmin, owner of vehicle No.OD04Y-2786 & OD21T-5095 has submitted PWD certificate issued by CDM and PHO, Jajpur vide certificate No.OD1311620020163911 dated-03.09.2021 having 85% disability in relation to her both Leg & both Hand and case of Thalassemia & Beta Thalassemia.

Now Sk. Nizamuddin on behalf of Taera Bibi owner of vehicle No.OD15AE-1786 has mentioned in his petition that the disability certificate produced by Sagufa Yasmin is a forged one. In view of website downloaded copy it is seen that her disability is mentioned as "Blood Disorder" and not Both Leg & Both Hand. Further he has requested to reconsider the decision for grant of PP in favour of Sagufa Yasmin.

In response to this office letter No.4853 dated 30.03.2026, CDM and PHO, Jajpur vide letter No.2873 dated 06.04.2026 furnished copy of disability certificate No.2113/00000/2108/1431916 (Certificate No.OD1311620020163911, dt.03.09.2021) issued to Ms. Sagufa Yasmin, owner of vehicle OD21T-5095 from which it reveals that Sagufa Yasmin is having 85% of permanent disability in the **Thalassemia category** and in the copy of disability certificate produced by Ms. Sagufa Yasmin it has been mentioned that she is 85% permanent **disability in relation to her both legs, both hands** which are not matching with each other.

On the basis of forged disability certificate submitted by Ms. Sagufa Yasmin permanent permit No.12-G/2026 has been issued to her in the route Aradi to Bhubaneswar. The permit holder was noticed to file show cause as to why permanent permit shall not be cancelled under Section 86 (1) (d) of M.V. Act, 1988.

As per the allegation made by SK Nizamuddin on behalf of Taera Bibi owner of vehicle No.OD15AE-1786 CDM & PHO, Jajpur was requested vide this office letter No.4853/TC dated 30.03.2026 to verify the genuineness of disability certificate issued in favour of Sagufa Yasmin.

In response to this office letter No.4853/TC dated 30.03.2026, the CDM & PHO, Jajpur has intimated vide letter No.2873, dated 06.04.2026 that the disability

certificate issued in favour of Sagufa Yasmin vide Regd.No.2113/00000/2108/1431916 (certificate No.OD131162002016391) dated 03.09.2021 having 85% of permanent disability in the Thalassemia Category in relation to Blood Disorder is found to be genuine.

The disability certificate submitted by Sagufa Yasmin having 85% disability in relation to her both Legs & both Hands is fake one.

However STA in its 303rd meeting held on 05.11.2024 resolved that,

“Ten marks shall be given to PWD applicants having disability 60% or above”.

Later CDM & PHO, Jajpur has submitted clarification vide memo No.3397 dated 24.04.2026 stating that disability certificate no.OD1311620020163911 dated 03.09.2021 issued in favour of Sagufa Yasmin and correct and genuine certificate is “Beta Thalasemia” with 85% permanent disability.

Sri S. Mishra, Advocate for Sagufa Yasmin submitted that no notice has been received by the permit holder to appear for hearing before STA on 23.04.2026 and prayed that the matter may be deferred to next meeting.

Sri H.P Mohanty, Advocate for Taera Bibi, owner of vehicle No.OD15AE-1786 submitted that Sagufa Yasmin has obtained permanent permit in the route Aradi to Bhubaneswar by submitting forged disability certificate and prayed that a FIR be lodged against Sagufa Yasmin and permanent permit issued to her may be cancelled.

Sri M.B.K Rao, Advocate for Jyoshna Mohanty, owner of vehicle No.OD02DK-7857 submitted that Sagufa Yasmin has obtained permanent permit in the route Aradi to Bhubaneswar by submitting forged disability certificate and prayed that a FIR be lodged against Sagufa Yasmin and permanent permit issued to her may be cancelled.

Hearing closed. Considering submission made by learned Advocate for parties, the matter is deferred to next STA meeting. It was resolved that a report may be called for from CDM & PHO, Jajpur to specifically clarify by mail that out of two disability certificates Sagufa Yasmin which one is genuine.

ITEM NO.04:- CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR PERMANENT PERMIT ON THE ROUTE FROM ARADI TO BHUBANESWAR & BACK.

Pursuant to notification on dated 18.02.2026 published in the website vide Sl. No.1005 following four applications received for grant of one permanent permit on the route from Aradi to Bhubaneswar & back.

1. Smt. Swapna Rani Dash, owner of vehicle No.OD05CG-8145
2. Smt. SagufaYasmin, owner of vehicle No.OD04Y-2786
3. Smt. SagufaYasmin, owner of vehicle No.OD15AF-2786
4. Abhilash Lenka, owner of vehicle No.OD04S-2151

Notice was issued to all applicants/objectors by speed post vide letter No.5828 dated 20.04.2026 to appeared before STA on 23.04.2026 for hearing.

Sri S.S Mishra, Advocate for Sagufa Yasmin, owner of vehicle No.OD04Y-2786 & OD15AF-2786.

Sri A.K Behera, Advocate for Swapna Rani Das, owner of vehicle No.OD05CG-8145.

The applicant Abhilash Lenka, owner of vehicle No.OD04S-2151 is absent on call.

Heard the counsel for the parties.

Sri A.K. Behera, Advocate submitted that the applicant Sagufa Yasmin, owner of vehicle OD04Y-2786 & OD15AF-2786 has submitted false disability certificate. Her applications for grant of permanent permit may be rejected.

Sri S.S Mishra, Advocate for Sagufa Yasmin, owner of vehicle No.OD04Y-2786 & OD15AF-2786 submitted that the applicant has not submitted forged disability certificate. Her applications may be considered and permanent permit may be granted in her favour.

On the basis of evaluation criteria the applicant Smt. Swapna Rani Dash, owner of vehicle No.OD05CG-8145 has secured 60 marks.

Applicant, Abhilash Lenka, owner of vehicle No.OD04S-2151 was absent. He has submitted the self-declaration in Annexure-A and B but not submitted valid Bank Guarantee/Solvency certificate at the time of hearing.

Financial Stability of the applicant cannot be adjudged in absence of Solvency Certificate/Bank Guarantee as required under Section 71 (3) (d) (i) of M.V Act 1988.

The STA after due deliberation decided to reject the application filed by Abhilash Lenka, owner of vehicle No.OD04S-2151 infor non-submission of Solvency Certificate/Bank Guarantee.

In this connection Smt. Swapna Rani Das has filed an objection against Sagufa Yasmin regarding fraudulent use of a manipulated disability certificate to obtain stage carriage permits. She has alleged that Sagufa Yasmin has lifted PP on the route from Aradi to Bhubaneswar in respect of vehicle No.OD21T-5095 by

submitting fake and manipulated disability certificate and also applied for another stage carriage permanent permit on the above route by submitting the same forged disability certificate. She has mentioned in her petition that, Sagufa Yasmin has submitted a tempered/fake disability certificate to mislead the authority.

In this regard, CDM & PHO, Jajpur was requested vide this office letter No.4853/TC dated 30.03.2026 to verify the genuineness of disability certificate issued in favour of Sagufa Yasmin, owner of vehicle No.OD04Y-2786 & OD21T-5095.

In response to this office letter No.4853/TC dated 30.03.2026, the CDM & PHO, Jajpur has intimated vide letter No.2873, dated 06.04.2026 that the disability certificate issued in favour of Sagufa Yasmin vide Regd. No.2113/00000/2108/1431916 (certificate No.OD131162002016391) dated 03.09.2021 having 85% of permanent **disability in the Thalassemia Category** in relation to Blood Disorder is found to be genuine.

It is pertinent to mention here that during the time of filing application Sagufa Yasmin, owner of vehicle No.OD04Y-2786 & OD15AF-2786 has submitted PWD certificate issued by Medical Authority Jajpur vide certificate No.OD1311620020163911 dated 03.09.2021 **having 85% disability in relation to her both Legs & both Hands and case of Thalassemia & Beta Thalassemia instead of Blood Disorder** is fake one.

Later CDM & PHO, Jajpur has submitted clarification vide memo No.3397 dated 24.04.2026 stating that disability certificate no.OD1311620020163911 dated 03.09.2021 issued in favour of Sagufa Yasmin and correct and genuine certificate is "Beta Thalasemia" with 85% permanent disability.

Advocate appearing on behalf of Swapna Rani Das has requested that the application of Sagufa Yasmin for the permanent stage carriage permit may be rejected due to submission of fake and manipulated disability certificate. Hearing closed.

Considering submission made by learned Advocate for parties, the matter is deferred to next STA meeting. It was resolved that a report may be called for from CDM & PHO, Jajpur to specifically clarify by mail that out of two disability certificates Sagufa Yasmin which one is genuine.

INTERSTATE CASE MATTER

ITEM NO.01:- OBJECTION AGAINST VEHICLE NO.WB41J-9412 OPERATING ON THE INTER-STATE ROUTE KCBT AT SANTRAGACHI to BARGARH VIA. LAXMANNATH, BHADRAK, ANANDPUR, KEONJHAR AND BACK.

Pursuant to order passed by Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta in WP (A) No.21523 of 2025, notice was issued to Sri Nitai Kumar Barik by Speed Post vide letter No 5525/TC dated 15.04.2026 to appear before STA on 23.04.2026 for hearing.

Heard Sri S. Mishra, Advocate for Sri Nitai Kumar Barik. He prayed to revive the countersignature issued to Nitai Kumar Barik to operate his bus in the interstate route KCBT at Santragachi to Bargarh via. Laxmannath, Bhadrak, Anandpur, Keonjhar and back.

Brief fact of the case is that Permanent permit No.WB2022-SC-0105A issued by STA, West Bengal, Kolkata in favor of Sri Nitai Kumar Barik in respect of vehicle no.WB41J-9412 to operate on the Inter-State route KCBT at Santragachi to Bargarh via. Laxmannath, Bhadrak, Anandpur, Keonjhar and back valid till 30.05.2027 which was countersigned by STA, Odisha vide No.19-G/2022.

Sri Chaturbhujaya Nayak, owner of vehicle no.OD05AM-8330 has filed objection before STA, Odisha alleging that the vehicle WB41J-9412 is terminating at Koida instead of Bargarh for which permanent permit has been granted by STA, WB and countersigned by STA, Odisha. For such non-operation of bus service by the permit holder Sri Nitai Kumar Barik from Koida to Bargarh (Odisha), the travelling public are facing difficulties in getting bus services to reach their destination i.e. Bargarh (Odisha).

On receipt of objection, the Regional Transport Officer, Bargarh / Rourkela and NHAI, Toll Plaza, Bargarh were requested to furnish the detailed operational status of vehicle WB41J-9412 vide letter no.13531/TC, dated 07.09.2023 of STA, Odisha. In response to the said letter, the RTO, Bargarh vide his letter no.2250, dt.11.10.2023 has furnished his reply enclosing the copy of report of T.I, Bargarh wherein it has been mentioned that the vehicle WB41J-9412 is not operating from Bargarh to Kolkata Central Bus Terminus.

Regional Transport Officer, Rourkela vide letter No 3005 dated 08.11.2023 inter alia, intimated that the Vehicle No.WB-41J-9412 is not plying physically upto its

termini point at Bargarh but is plying from Koira to Santragachi, which is a curtailed route from the original route alignment.

Further information was received from the Project Director, National Highway Authority of India (NHAI), Barahaguda Toll Plaza, Sambalpur dated 27th September, 2023 that the vehicle in question did not cross the said toll plaza of Sambalpur-Baragarh Section.

After receipt of report from RTO, Bargarh, Rourkela and NHAI, notice was issued to Sri Nitai Kumar Barik to file show cause as to why the permanent permit shall not be cancelled U/S 86 of M.V Act, 1988 for violation of permit conditions vide this office letter no.3687/TC, dt. 30.10.2023. Sri Nitai Kumar Barik has not submitted his reply to the letter dated 30.10.2023, he was intimated to furnish his reply vide this office letter no.16237/TC, dated 30.10.2023 and 18680/TC, dated 11.12.2023.

The above matter was placed in the 303rd STA, Odisha meeting held on 05.11.2024 vide item No.11 and STA, Odisha and taking into consideration the fact of non-plying of vehicle WB41J-9412 by Sri Nitai Kumar Barik in the interstate route CKBT at Santragachi to Bargarh observed that the permit holder has operated his bus upto Koida (Odisha) thereby caused inconvenience to the travelling public. For such lapses on the part of the permit holder Sri Nitai Kumar Barik by not operating his bus on the entire interstate route, the STA, Odisha after due deliberation decided to cancel the countersignature No.19-G/2022 issued in respect of vehicle No.WB41J-9412 U/s 86 (1) (a) of MV Act 1988 which is in the interest of travelling public.

As directed by Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta the petitioner Sri Nitai Kumar Barik be informed regarding decision taken by STA.

ITEM NO.02:- CANCELLATION OF PERMANENT PERMIT BEARING NO.28-R-2023 ISSUED TO VEHICLE NO.OD01B-5151 OPERATING ON THE INTERSTATE ROUTE PURI TO HALADIA VIA.JALESWAR AND BACK.

On the basis of objection filed by Labanya Shee, owner of vehicle WB33B-7029 was instituted against the permit holder Brundaban Gaana, owner of vehicle OD01B-5151, present proceeding for cancellation of permanent permit No.28-R/2023 issued to Sri Gaana. The objector alleged that the vehicle is not operating from Puri to Haladia and terminating at Bhubaneswar.


Notice was issued to permit holder and objector vide this office letter No.5754/TC dated 18.04.2026 to appear before STA on 23.04.2026 for hearing.

Heard Sri S. Mishra, Advocate for Smt. Labanya Shee – objector. Sri M. B. K. Rao, Advocate appeared for Sri Brundaban Gaana permit holder to whom permanent permit has been granted to operate on the interstate route Puri to Haladia.

Heard.

Learned Advocate Sri Mishra has submitted that he do not want to pursue the objection filed against Brundaban Ganna.

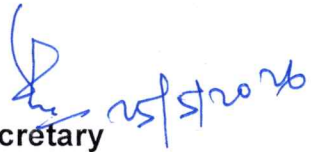
The proceeding for cancellation of P.P. No.28-R/2023 issued to Sri Brundaban Ganna, owner of vehicle OD01B-5151 is dropped. The permit holder Sri Gaana is directed to operate his bus from Puri to Haladia and shall make TGR entry at Town P.S. Puri on every day and furnish a certificate issued by IIC, Town P.S. Puri in STA every month in the interest of travelling public.


Chairman, 25/5/2026
STA, Odisha, Cuttack

Memo No. 9648 ITC.

Dt. 25-05-2026

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