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HOME (SPECIAL SECTION) DEPARTMENT

FORM No.I

(See Rule 7)

DECLARATION

The 2nd March, 2023

S.R.O. No.115/2023 — WHEREAS, it was alleged that Shri Nirmal Chandra Pradhan, S/o. Late Narayan Pradhan of At-Ghosaghara, P.S.-Ersama, Dist.-Jagatsinghpur, present address-Plot No. 1140/2584 & 1141/2585, Saraswati Sisu Mandir Lane, Mohanadi Vihar, Cuttack P.S- Chauliaganj, Dist.- Cuttack, State-Odisha, while holding high public office in the State of Odisha as Superintending Engineer, Western Irrigation Circle, Bhawanipatna, Dist.- Kalahandi committed an offence under clause (e) of sub-section (1) of Section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and that the matter was investigated in Cuttack Vigilance P.S. Case No. 75 dated the 27th December, 2010.

AND, WHEREAS, on scrutiny of relevant materials available on record, the State Government is of the opinion that there is *prima facie* case of Commission of the offence of Shri Nirmal Chandra Pradhan, who has accumulated properties disproportionate to his known sources of income by resorting to corrupt means;

AND, WHEREAS, it is felt necessary and expedient by the Government that the said offender should be tried by the Special Court established under sub-section (1) of Section 3 of Special Courts Act, 2006;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 5 of Special Courts Act, 2006 (Orissa Act 9 of 2007), the State Government do hereby declare that the said offence shall be dealt with under the Special Courts Act, 2006. Special Secretary to Government Home Department.

[No.215—HOME-SPL-III-SPLC-03/23/C.]

SANTOSH BALA

Special Secretary to Government