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HOME (SPECIAL SECTION) DEPARTMENT

FORM No. I

(See Rule 7)

DECLARATION

The 18th March 2013

**S.R.O. No. 176/2013**—Whereas, it was alleged that Shri Nirod Kumar Sethi, S/o Late Kanduri Charan Sethi of Village Mirzapur, P.S. Aul, Dist. Kendrapara, at present Executive Engineer, Rural Works Division, Dharmagarh, Dist. Kalahandi, State Odisha, while holding high public office in the State of Odisha, i.e., ex Executive Engineer, Ret Irrigation Project Division, 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 Koraput Vigilance P. S. Case No. 41, Dt. 3-10-2008 ;

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 Nirod Kumar Sethi, 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 (Odisha Act 9 of 2007), the State Government do hereby declare that the said offence shall be dealt with under the Special Courts Act, 2006.

[ No. 698-C. ]

U. N. BEHERA

Principal Secretary to Government