



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CRLMP No. 61 of 2026

Sarojini Das

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Petitioner

Mr. Jyotirmaya Sahoo, Advocate

-versus-

1. State of Odisha

2. Superintendent of Police, Khurda

3. Inspector-in-Charge, Tangi Police

Station, Khurda

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Opposite Parties

Mr. A.K. Apat, AGA

CORAM:

HON'BLE MISS JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO

ORDER

16.03.2026

(Through hybrid mode)

Order No.

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1. Mr. A.K. Apat, learned Additional Government Advocate submits that on 10.03.2026, learned counsel for the Petitioner had pointed out that page 19 which is the copy of the inquest report attached to the affidavit dated 26.02.2026 filed by the IIC, Tangi Police Station was blank for which the learned Additional Standing Counsel had been directed to file a legible/typed copy of the inquest report by 12.03.2026 after serving copy on Mr. Sahoo, learned counsel for the Petitioner. Today when the matter is taken up, Mr. A.K. Apat, learned Additional Government Advocate submits that the copy of the inquest report is at page 18 of the affidavit and page 19 does not contain any entries and has been copied and page marked as part of the affidavit by mistake. As the inquest report is at



page 18, page 19 may be ignored.

2. Vide order dated 10.03.2026, as it could not be ascertained from the digital record as to when the affidavit of Opposite Party No.3 had been e-filed, Registry had been directed to provide the date when the affidavit dated 26.02.2026 had been e-filed and how the date of e-filing is to be ascertained from the digital record.

3. Perused the report dated 12.03.2026 of the Superintendent of Writ Branch-VII where it has stated as follows:

“In obedience to kind order dated 10.03.2026, I am to submit that one affidavit dated 26.02.2026 relating to CRLMP No.61 of 2026, has been uploaded by the concerned party on 09.03.2026 and the same has been consumed and e-Filed at our end on the very same day. Proof of details showing upload and consume of the document by the user is placed at Flag 'B' for kind reference of the Hon'ble Court.

Further, it is submitted that usually the date of e-Filing is ascertained as per the date of consumption of the uploaded data/digital records. Once the digital record is uploaded in e-Filing 3.0 module of Case Information System (C.I.S.), it appears in the 'Consume Data' module of CIS. Upon consumption of the digital records when records are shown in CIS, the same are verified and e-Filed at our end on that day.

It is pertinent to mention here that as per e-Filing Rules for the High Court of Orissa, 2024, e-Filing is permissible up to 04.00 PM on any Court working day and e-Filing carried out after the prescribed hours on any day, is



treated as the date which follows the actual filing date provided it is a Court working day. Further, if e-Filing of digital record is made on a day declared as public holiday, it is treated as having been filed on the next working day. In this regard, copy of the said rules as at Clause 15 (3) & (4) is placed at Flag 'C' for kind perusal.”

4. Perused the information dated 12.03.2026 of the Superintendent of Writ Branch-VII Section, it has been stated therein that the affidavit has been uploaded by the concerned party on 09.03.2026 and on the same day it has been ‘consumed’ and e-filed at their end on the very same day. Proof of details showing upload and consume of the document by the user has been placed at ‘Flag B’.

5. From this, it is not apparent as to how this Court is to ascertain as to when a particular document has been e-filed as there is no noting in the office notes regarding date of e-filing of any document. There is a document attached to the report at Flag ‘B’ which indicates that affidavit has been uploaded and consumed on 09.03.2026. But this document was not available in the digital record earlier for which it was not possible for the Court to ascertain the date of filing of the document.

6. The copy of the index of the affidavit and copy of the



notification dated 1st June, 2024 containing the 'e-filing Rules for the High Court of Orissa, 2024' has been annexed. Filing of these rules was not necessary as the document from which the date of e-filing could be ascertained had not been provided with the digital record.

7. Hence, Registry is directed either to provide this document or to make a noting in the office notes and/or on the document which is e-filed so that the Court can ascertain the date of e-filing of the document.

8. To enable Mr. A.K. Apat, learned Additional Government Advocate to go through the contents of the affidavit filed on behalf of the Opposite Party No.3 and make his submission, the matter is adjourned to 18.03.2026.

(Savitri Ratho)
Judge

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