



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

Sk. Mantaz @ Sk. Mamtaz
(In BLAPL No.871 of 2026)

Sk. Saruk

(In BLAPL No.1430 of 2026) ...

Petitioners

*Mr. S.C. Mohapatra, Sr. Advocate
along with Mr. S. Mohapatra, Advocate
(in BLAPL No.871 of 2026)*

*Mr. A.R. Panda, Advocate
(in BLAPL No.1430 of 2026)*

-versus-

State of Odisha

... Opposite Party

Mr. M.R. Patra, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER(ORAL):12.03.2026

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
2. Mr. Soura Chandra Mohapatra, learned Senior Counsel, who is being assisted by Ms. Amrita Mishra, learned counsel for the petitioner in BLAPL No.871 of 2026 and Mr. Amulya Ratna Panda, learned counsel for the petitioner in BLAPL No.1430 of 2026 jointly submit that the petitioners are in custody since 12.07.2022/23.02.2020, but the trial is yet to be concluded and only 4 out of 24 charge-sheeted witnesses have been examined. In such situation and circumstance, the learned Court in seisin over the matter is, hereby, requested to submit a report as to the status of trial, the number of remaining witnesses the prosecution intends to examine in this case and the probable time required for disposal of this case by next



date. The aforesaid report be placed before this Court on or before 28.03.2026.

3. Accordingly, list both these matters in the week commencing from 30.03.2026. A copy of this order be communicated to the learned trial Court forthwith.

(G. Satapathy)
Judge

Subhasmita