



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CRLA No. 195 of 2026

Ramanath Das

.... Appellant

Mr. P.P. Parida, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha, Vigilance

.... Respondent

Mr. Sanjay Kumar Das,
Standing Counsel (for Vigilance)

CORAM:

JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO

ORDER

23.02.2026

Order No.

(Through hybrid Mode)

01. 1. Heard.
2. Charge had been framed on 09.04.2004 against the Appellant for the offences under Section 13(2) read with Section 13(1)(c) of P.C. Act and Sections 409, 477 of IPC. By judgment dated 29.01.2026 of the learned Special Judge (Vigilance), Sundargarh in CTR Case No.49-53 of 2003-16 arising out of Sambalpur Vigilance P.S. Case No. 33 dated 21.06.2002, the appellant has been convicted for commission of offences under Section 477-A of the IPC and sentenced to rigorous



imprisonment for two years and to pay a fine of Rs.5000/-, in default to undergo R.I. for two months.

3. Admit.
4. Call for the scanned copy of the Trial Court Records.
5. List this case on 18.05.2026.
6. Mr. Sanjay Kumar Das, learned Standing Counsel (Vigilance) submits that he shall file appearance memo within one week.

I.A. No. 480 of 2026

7. This is an application under Section 415 of BNSS for grant of bail during pendency of the appeal.
8. Although it is not stated in the petition that the appellant had been released on bail during investigation or the trial, but in Form-B which forms part of the judgment, it has been mentioned that the accused has been arrested on 06.01.2004 and has been released on bail on the same day.
9. Mr. P.P. Parida, learned counsel for the appellant submits that the appellant has been released on bail during investigation and trial and he has not misused the liberty granted to him.



10. Considering the sentence imposed and as the appellant was on bail during investigation and trial, I am inclined to allow the application.

11. The Appellant- Ramanath Das, on surrendering before the learned trial Court within four weeks from today, shall be released on bail pending disposal of the Criminal Appeal, on such terms and conditions as may be fixed by the learned trial Court.

12. This I.A. is disposed of.

I.A. No. 479 of 2026

13. This I.A. has been filed for staying realization of fine amount.

14. The appellant shall deposit the fine amount in the learned trial Court within a period of four weeks from today. Such deposit shall be subject to result of the appeal.

15. This I.A. is disposed of.

16. Urgent certified copy of this order be granted on proper application.

(Savitri Ratho)
Judge

Sukanta