



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
CRLA No.520 of 2024

Ranjan Kumar Rout

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Appellant

Represented by Adv. -
Biswaranjan Dalai

-versus-

State Of Odisha

.....

Respondent

Represented by Adv. –
U.R. Jena, A.G.A.

CORAM:
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR
MOHAPATRA

ORDER
08.01.2026

Order No.

05.

1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual /Physical Mode).
2. Heard learned counsel for the appellant as well as learned counsel for the State.
3. Although Ms.Ekta Agarwal and her associates have entered their appearance on behalf of the Informant, however, no one is present in court today when the matter was called.
4. Heard learned counsel for the appellant.
5. Appeal is admitted.
6. Call for the digitized copy of the TCR.
7. Since the informant has already been represented by her counsel, notice to the informant is waived.



I.A No.1313 of 2024

8. Heard learned counsel for the appellant as well as learned counsel for the State.

9. On perusal of the record it appears that there is a delay of 16 days in preparation and presentation of the appeal before this Court.

10. Considering such submissions of learned counsel for the appellant, the delay of 16 days is hereby condoned.

11. Accordingly, the I.A stands allowed.

I.A No.06 of 2026

12. This I.A application has been filed at the instance of the appellant for his release on interim bail on the ground to attend the first death anniversary of his father which is likely to be observed on 12.01.2026.

13. Learned counsel for the State on the other hand contended that he has not received any instruction from the IIC of the concerned police station. However, he further contended that he has received the telephonic instruction that the family of the convict-appellant is observed the first death anniversary of the father of the appellant on 12.01.2026.

14. Considering such submission, this Court is inclined to release the Appellant-Petitioner on interim bail in Special G.R No.69 of 2020 arising out of Kujanga PS Case No.335 of 2020 passed by the Court of the learned Adhoc Additional District & Sessions Judge (FTSC) (POCSO), Jagatsinghpur for a period of two weeks from the date of his release on furnishing bail bond of Rs.40,000/-



(Rupees forty thousand) with two solvent sureties each for the like amount to the satisfaction of the Trial Court. Such, interim bail period shall be counted from the date of release of the appellant from jail custody. However, it is made clear that such release shall be subject to such other terms and conditions as would be fixed by the trial court. Violation of any of the conditions shall entail cancellation of the interim bail application.

15. On expiry of the interim bail period, the Appellant-Petitioner shall surrender immediately before the court below, failing which, it is open to the court below to take coercive action against the Appellant-Petitioner to ensure that the Appellant-Petitioner is taken back into custody. Surrender certificate of the Appellant-Petitioner be produced before this Court.

16. Accordingly, the I.A is disposed of.

17. Issue urgent certified copy of this order in course of the day.

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18. List this matter in the week commencing 02.02.2026.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

Anil

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