



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
JCRLA No.72 of 2009

Santosh Mallik

....

Appellant

None

-versus-

State of Odisha

....

Respondent

Mr. A. Pradhan, ASC

CORAM:

DR. JUSTICE S.K. PANIGRAHI

MR JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

ORDER

19.02.2026

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05. 1. This matter is taken up through hybrid arrangement.
2. None appears for the prisoner (who was the appellant-convict) at the time of call, but the prisoner has in fact prayed to adjudicate his appeal, however, the prisoner has been directed to be prematurely released. Accordingly, the appeal was disposed of with liberty to the appellant-prisoner to revive it for hearing in case he wishes to question his conviction.
3. In such view of the matter, the jail authority is, hereby, directed to intimate this Court as to whether the convict has been prematurely released or not and whether he wishes to revive the appeal to challenge his conviction. The aforesaid instruction be submitted to this Court by next date.
4. Accordingly, list this matter on 19.03.2026.

(Dr.S.K.Panigrahi)
Judge

(G.Satapathy)
Judge