



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CRLA No.616 of 2018

1. Bindu Bag **Appellant(s)**
2. Premananda @
Paramananda Dandsena

Represented by Adv.-

Mr. Jagabandhu Sahu, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha **Respondent(s)**

Represented by Adv.-

Mr. Jateswar Naik, AGA

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANASH RANJAN PATHAK

AND

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SIBO SANKAR MISHRA

ORDER

Order No.

29.06.2026

(Hybrid mode)

I.A. No. 938 of 2025

14. **1.** This is an application for grant of bail moved by the appellant no.1-Bindu Bag.
- 2.** The appellant no.1 has been convicted under section 302/201/34 of the Indian Penal Code and has been sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment for life and pay a fine of Rs.5,000/-, in default to undergo R.I. for one year for the offence under Section 302 of the IPC, R.I. for a period of two years and fine of Rs.2,000/- in default to undergo R.I. for three months



for the offence under Section 201 of the IPC. Both the sentences were directed to run concurrently.

The aforementioned judgment of conviction and order of sentence dated 06.08.2017 passed by the learned Addl. Sessions Judge, Padampur in C.T. Case No. 53 of 2015 is under challenge in this appeal.

3. The appellant no.1 moved an application seeking suspension of the sentences during pendency of the appeal. The said application was heard on 29.10.2024. Relying upon the judgment in ***Leti @ Jayadeb Roy and another vrs. The State reported in (1990) 3 Orissa Criminal Reports 427***, the Coordinate Bench of this Court enlarged the appellant no.1 on interim bail for a period of three months. In the said order it was also directed to the State Counsel to produce a report from the IIC of Paikmal P.S. regarding the conduct of the appellant while on interim bail.

4. Pursuant to the aforementioned order, the appellant was let off on interim bail for a period of three months. During the interregnum period of interim bail, her conduct was assessed by the local police and a report dated 02.04.2026 has been placed on record, which reads as under:-

"With reference to letter no and CRLA No cited above, I am the honour to intimate that, I have verified the criminal antecedent of accused Bindu Nag @ Bag @ Seth (36) W/o Late Kashyap Bag of village-Paikmal (New Busstand Pada), PS.



Paikmal, Dist. Bargarh through available PS records as well as ICJS portals and found nothing any adverse against her except this case."

5. It is also borne on record that the co-accused appellant no.2-Premananda @ Paramananda Dandsena has already been admitted to bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 12.07.2023. The appellant is in custody since 25.06.2015. The appeal has been pending since 2018. As per the judgment in **Leti @ Jayadeb Roy** (supra) although the appeal is pending for more than three years and the appellant is languishing in jail for more than ten years, there is minimal chance of the appeal being heard in the near future, therefore, the appellant is entitled to the relief sought for. Since the appellant was enlarged on interim bail for a period of three months and her conduct as reported by the local police is satisfactory, we are inclined to suspend the sentences awarded to the appellant during pendency of the appeal.

6. Accordingly, the appellant no.1-Bindu Bag be released on bail in the aforesaid case on furnishing bail bond of Rs.50,000/-(rupees fifty thousand) with one local solvent surety for the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court, subject to condition that while on bail the appellant shall not indulge in any criminal activities in any manner and any



other condition to be imposed by the learned trial court as deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case.

7. Violation of any of the terms and conditions shall entail cancellation of the bail.

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

9. Issue urgent certified copy of this order as per rules.

(Manash Ranjan Pathak)
Judge

(Sibo Sankar Mishra)
Judge

Ashok