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SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CRIMINAL) Diary No(s). 17129/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 04-01-2005 in DSREF No. 2/2003 04-01-2005 in JCRLA No. 130/2003 passed by the High Court of Orissa at Cuttack]

KRUSHNA NAIK

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF ORISSA

Respondent(s)

IA No. 103195/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING

Date : 10-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ MISRA  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N.V. ANJARIA

For Petitioner(s) :

Mrs. K. Sarada Devi, AOR  
Ms. Kaveri Kalyana Ram, Adv.  
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Mr. Thota Svl Narasimha Sawmy, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
O R D E R

1. This special leave petition is reported to be beyond time by 7709 days.
2. The petitioner was convicted and sentenced to death penalty. Upon a death reference, the death sentence was converted

to life imprisonment. As conviction has been recorded after threadbare consideration of the evidence on record including the eye-witness account of the incident, we find no good reason to interfere with the order of the High Court confirming the conviction and awarding life imprisonment to the petitioner for offence punishable under Section 302 IPC.

3. Consequently, the special leave petition is dismissed. All pending applications shall stand disposed of.

4. However, dismissal of this petition shall be without prejudice to the right of the petitioner to seek for remission of sentence as per the State Policy.

(CHETAN ARORA)  
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(SAPNA BANSAL)  
COURT MASTER (NSH)