

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL APPEAL (DB) No.433 of 1997

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Lal Bachan Pandey, Son of Mangal Pandey of Village-Gaunaha Bazar, Police
Station-Gaunaha, District-West Champaran.

... .. Appellant/s

Versus

State of Bihar

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Appellant/s : Mr.Sanjeev Kumar-I, Advocate
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Satyanarayan Prasad, APP

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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
and
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE HARISH KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

(Per: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE)

4 26-05-2026 Perused the Letter No. 748 dated 16.05.2026 of the

Superintendent of Police, West Champaran, Bettiah along with
the report of S.H.O., Gaunaha Police Station dated 15.05.2026,
wherein it is indicated that during enquiry it came to light that
the sole appellant Lal Bachan Pandey has died. Certificate of
death of the appellant issued by Mukhiya of Gram Panchayat
Raj, Gaunaha, West Champaran, Bettiah has also been enclosed
with the said reports.

2. In view of the said letters as also section 394 of the
Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, which corresponds to
section 435 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023,
since no near relative has filed any application for leave to
continue the appeal, the Criminal Appeal stands abated and



disposed of.

3. Let the trial court records be sent back to the concerned court immediately, if not required in any other case.

(Sangam Kumar Sahoo, CJ)

(Harish Kumar, J)

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