

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL APPEAL (DB) No.165 of 2002

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Khedu Mahto @ Khedu Nonia, Son of Late Kolai Mahto, Resident of Village-
Parariya, P.S.-Shikarpur, District-West Champaran.

... .. Appellant/s

Versus

State of Bihar

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Appellant/s : Mr.Umesh Chandra Verma, Advocate
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Binod Bihari Singh, APP

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

(Per: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE)

5 01-05-2026 Perused the Letter No. 146 dated 09.02.2026 of the Superintendent of Police, West Champaran, Bettiah along with the report of Police Sub Inspector, Shikarpur, Police Station dated 31.01.2026, wherein it is indicated that during enquiry it came to light that the sole appellant Khedu Mahto @ Khedu Nonia, has died. Certificate of death issued by Mukhiya of Gram Panchayat Raj- Kurkura, Block-Narkatiaganj, West Champaran, Bettiah has also been enclosed with the said report.

2. In view of the said letter 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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