THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cr. Appeal (SJ) No. 296 of 2007

Mahendra Prasad Singh S/o Late Muni Singh, Resident of Chitanga, P.S. Bishnugarh, District Hazaribagh

... ... Appellant

Versus

The State of Jharkhand through C.B.I.

... ... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR RAI

For the Appellant : Ms. Supriya Dayal, Advocate
For the CBI : Mr. Aryan Anurag, Advocate

Order No. 04/Dated 06.10.2026

1. Perused Letter No. 242/2020 dated 13.11.2020 of the learned I/C District & Additional Sessions Judge-VIII, Dhanbad and the death certificate enclosed with the above letter from which, it transpires that the sole appellant, namely, Mahendra Prasad Singh, son of Late Muni Singh, died on 26.07.2008. A copy of the death certificate is also available on record.

2. It further transpires that letter addressed by the son of the deceased sole appellant to the C.B.I., S.P., Dhanbad, is also available on record along with the above said letter of the learned I/C District & Additional Sessions Judge-VIII, Dhanbad, wherein it has been stated that his father died on 26.07.2008 and he was an accused in R.C. Case No. 10/95D.

3. Ms. Supriya Dayal, learned Advocate, appeared for Mr. A.S. Dayal, learned counsel for the appellant, and submitted that there is no instruction from the family member of the deceased appellant to pursue the present appeal.

4. Learned counsel for the C.B.I. is also present before this Court.

5. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances, this Court finds that the sole appellant died on 26.07.2008 and, till the date, no effort has been

taken for substitution of the deceased appellant by his legal heir.

6. In view thereof, the appeal stands abated.

7. Consequently, Criminal Appeal being Cr. Appeal (SJ) No. 296 of 2007 is, hereby, disposed of.

8. Let the trial court records be sent back to the court concerned forthwith.

(Arun Kumar Rai, J.)

06.10.2026
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