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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI [3368]
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

MONDAY, THE 20th DAY OF JULY 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE B V L N CHAKRAVARTHI

CRIMINAL APPEAL No: 399/2013

Between:

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH,, REPRESENTED BY THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE, A.C.B., NELLORE RANGE, NELLORE. THROUGH ITS SPL.PUBLIC PROSECUTOR FOR ACB CASES, HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, HYDERABAD.

...APPELLANT

AND

1. KATTA VINAYAKA RAO, Occ: Drug Inspector, O/o The Commissioner, Dept. of Ayush, A.P., Hyderabad.

...RESPONDENT

Counsel for the Appellant:

S.SYAM SUNDER RAO SC cum Spl P.P. For ACB

Counsel for the Respondent:

1. DEVI PRASAD MANGALAPURI

The Court made the following:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE B.V.L.N.CHAKRAVARTHI

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J U D G M E N T:

The Criminal Appeal is filed to set-aside the judgment dated 24.09.2012 passed in C.C.No.6 of 2008 on the file of the Court of the Spl. Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Nellore, and convict the respondent/accused in accordance with law.

2. Heard Sri S.Syam Sunder Rao, learned Standing Counsel-cum-Spl.Public Prosecutor for Appellant/ACB and Sri M.Devi Prasad, learned counsel for the respondent/accused.

3. It is submitted that Sri Katta Vinayaka Rao i.e., respondent/accused is no more, and he died on 13.04.2026. Copy of death certificate is also placed on record.

4. The appeal is filed by the State challenging the judgment of acquittal.

5. In the light of the death of respondent/accused, the appeal is dismissed as abated.

As a sequel interlacutory applications pending if any shall stand closed.

JUSTICE B.V.L.N. CHAKRAVARTHI

20.07.2026
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Whether the judgment is:

Speaking Yes/No / Reasoned Yes/No
Reportable Yes/No / Non-Reportable Yes/No.