

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL APPEAL No.2002 OF 2012**

PARAMJIT KUMAR

... APPELLANT

Versus

THE STATE OF PUNJAB & ANR.

... RESPONDENTS

CRIMINAL APPEAL No.1190 OF 2017

SITA DEVI

... APPELLANT

Versus

THE STATE OF PUNJAB & ANR.

... RESPONDENTS

O R D E R

The Court is convened through Video Conferencing.

Vide order dated 05.11.2012, this Court while noticing that the appellant - husband has already undergone the period of sentence awarded, requested the learned counsel, who was representing the respondent - State, to assist respondent No.2 - wife and explore the possibility of an amicable settlement between the parties.

Vide order dated 07.11.2016, the parties were directed to appear before the Supreme Court Mediation Centre on 08.11.2016 since they were present in-person in the Court on that day and were ready and willing to explore the possibility of a settlement of the outstanding issues with the help of the Mediation Centre.

In compliance of the said Order, the Coordinator, Supreme Court Mediation Centre vide letter dated 23.11.2016 has forwarded the Mediation Report dated 17.11.2016 stating therein that the

settlement could not be arrived at between the parties despite best efforts and sadly the mediation has failed.

Today, at the commencement of hearing, Ms. Preetika Dwivedi, Advocate, who was appointed *amicus curiae* to assist this Court on behalf of respondent No.2 - Sita Devi vide order dated 17.10.2016, submits that respondent No.2 in Criminal Appeal No.2002 of 2012, who was also the appellant in Criminal Appeal No.1190 of 2017, has expired during the pendency of these appeals.

In view of the statement made by the learned *amicus curiae*, nothing survives to be adjudicated in these appeals and the same stand dismissed.

.....J.
(N.V.RAMANA)

.....J.
(SURYA KANT)

.....J.
(ANIRUDDHA BOSE)

NEW DELHI;
FEBRUARY 24, 2021.

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G SCriminal Appeal No(s).2002/2012

PARAMJIT KUMAR

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF PUNJAB & ANR.

Respondent(s)

WITH

CrI.A. No.1190/2017 (II-B)

IA No. 7671/2017 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 24-02-2021 These appeals were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURYA KANT
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIRUDDHA BOSE

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Mr. Ajay Kumar Singh, AOR

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

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The appeals stand dismissed in terms of the signed order.

(SATISH KUMAR YADAV)
DEPUTY REGISTRAR(RAJ RANI NEGI)
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

(Signed order is placed on the file)