

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK CRLA No.997 of 2023

Arun Kumar Barik

Appellant

Mr. S.P. Dash, Advocate

-versus-

State of Orissa and another

Respondents

Mr. R.B. Mishra, Addl. PP

CORAM: JUSTICE G. SATAPATHY

Order No.

30.04.2025 CRLA No.997 of 2023 & IA No.2139 of 2023

ORDER(ORAL)

- 1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
- 2. Mr. Sarada Prasad Dash, learned counsel for the appellant informs the Court by drawing attention to the certified copy of the surrender certificate that the appellant has already surrendered to custody after availing the interim bail.
- 3. Learned counsel for the appellant seeks for an adjournment in the matter, but since this is an appeal against conviction of the appellant for commission of offences under Section 376(3) of IPC and Section 4(2) of POCSO Act, wherein the appellant has prayed for grant of bail, the informant and victim are required to be noticed and informed before taking up the hearing in the matter, in view of the provision under Section 439(1A) of CrPC and Sub-rule 13 and 15 (viii) of Rule-4 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Rules, 2020 (in short, "the Rules").



- 4. For the purpose of notice to the informant and information of victim-child in terms of the above Act and Rules, let the copy of the appeal memo and Interlocutory Application received by the learned counsel for the State be sent to the informant and victim by Mr. R.B. Mishra, learned Additional Public Prosecutor through concerned Police Station indicating therein the probable date of hearing.
- 5. Further, the State is at liberty to file written objection to the bail application of the appellant, in terms of the decision of the Apex Court in *Atul Tripathi Vs. State of Uttar Pradesh & Others;* (2014) 9 SCC 177.
- 6. Accordingly, list this matter on 26.06.2025.

(G. Satapathy)

Judge

Subhasmita