

S. C. 01 (08) 2019 (Reg. No. 12 of 20)
Present : Smt. Jyotsna Roy (J. O. Code WB00933)

Order no. 21 Dated 01.06.23

Today is fixed for evidence.

All the accused persons are absent without taking any step.

Ld. PP in-charge is absent.

We have been circulated with the notification dated 05.03.2022 vide Memo no. 1282 – RG of the Hon’ble High Court, Calcutta, where from it appears that physical mode of hearing as was prevalent when the situation was normal with the exception that the virtual mode shall also be available to the senior lawyers with co-morbidities or other problems.

In terms of the said notification of the Hon’ble High Court, Calcutta, and in terms of ***AIR 2020 SUPREME COURT 1412 : AIROnline 2020 SC 263*** headed by Hon’ble Justice Arun Mishra and M.R. Shah with the observation of the said decisions *Advocates Act (25 of 1961), S. 48 – Constitution of India, Arts. 19 (1)(a), 14, 21- Strikes by advocates- Freedom of speech- To go on strike or boycott courts by Advocates cannot be justified under guise of right of freedom of speech and expression under Art.19 (1)(a) as said right cannot be exercised at the cost of litigants and Justice Delivery System as a whole- Such boycotts tantamount to contempt of Court* and in terms of the recent verdict of the Hon’ble Apex Court, headed by Justice MR. Shah and Ahsanuddin Amanulla, that the the Lawyers cannot go on strike or abstain from work. In spite of the said verdict of the Apex Court, Ld. Lawyers have abstained themselves from work. So, the resolution dated 19.05.23 is not considered.

Moreover, cease work in this court is going on for more than one month and the poor litigant are coming and going, but not getting justice as the suffering of the litigant people is the paramount consideration of this court. So, the abstinence of the Ld. Advocates from work is not considered.

In terms of the above notification and decision of the Hon’ble Apex Court, sureties of the absentee accused persons are directed to produce the accused persons on the next date fixed.

To 24.07.2023 for evidence and production of the absentee accused persons by the surety.

Dictated & Corrected by me

Asstt. Sessions Judge, Bishnupur

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