

Order No: 38

Dated: 16.03.2026

Today is fixed for argument/ Judgment.

The Ld. defence lawyer and the Ld. APP are present.

Accused persons namely Sanjay Thakur, Laxmi Narayan, Jainarayan Thakur and Subodh Thakur are present by filing hazira.

Accused Meena Devi Thakur is absent by filing a petition u/s 392(6) of BNSS/353(6) CrPC which is considered and allowed as the matter is fixed for disposal / Judgment.

Judgment is ready in eight separate sheets and pronounced in open Court.

The operative portion of the Judgment is as follows:

Hence it is,

ORDERED

that the accused persons namely Subodh Thakur, Mina Thakur, Sanjay Thakur, Laxmi Thakur and Jaganarayan Thakur are found not guilty to the alleged offences u/s 498A IPC and as such the accused persons are acquitted from this case u/s 248(1) CrPC.

Seized articles if any be disposed of as per law after the appeal period is over.

The bail bond which was filed on behalf of the accused persons stands extended for a period of six months from today.

Such bail bond shall be governed by the provisions of section 437A of the Cr.P.C.

Be it mentioned that in this case the defacto complainant, being the PW1 has a right to prefer an appeal under the proviso to section 372 of the Code of Criminal Procedure and, if necessary, to avail free legal assistance through the Legal Services Authorities concerned to prefer and prosecute such appeal.

Copies of this Judgment be forwarded to the District Magistrate, Darjeeling, and the Learned Secretary, D.L.S.A., Darjeeling, for due intimation to the victim about such right.

Note in TR and upload the judgement in the CIS at once.

Dictated and corrected by me:

(Amar Chandra Das)

Chief Judicial Magistrate,
Darjeeling.

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