

In the Court of the Judicial Magistrate, 2nd Court, Uluberia, District: Howrah PRESENT: ESHARUL HAQUE (JO CODE - WB01482) Judicial Magistrate, 2nd Court, Uluberia, Howrah (Under Sections 85/316(2)/3(5) of BNS) (T.R. No. 60 of 2026) DATE OF JUDGMENT : 1st DAY OF JULY, 2026	
COMPLAINANT	STATE OF WEST BENGAL
REPRESENTED BY	LD APP SANJIB KR HALDAR
ACCUSED	A-1. MEHERAJ @ MIHIRAJ MALLIK A-2. MANIRA MALLIK A-3. ALAMGIR MALLIK ALL OF VILL – HARINARAYAN CHAK RATHTALA, PO – CHANDIPUR, PS – ULUBERIA, DIST – HOWRAH.
REPRESENTED BY	TAPAS DENRE
Date of Offence	12/03/2025
Date of FIR	12/03/2025
Date of Chargesheet	29/06/2025
Date of Framing of Charge / plea	16/04/2026
Date of commencement of Evidence	20/05/2026
Date on which Judgment is reserved	01/07/2026
Date of Judgment	01/07/2026
Date of Sentencing Order, if any	NIL

ACCUSED DETAILS							
Rank of the Accused	Name of the Accused	Date of Arrest	Date of release on Bail	Offences charged with	Whether acquitted or convicted	Sentence imposed	Period of Detention Undergone during Trial for purpose of Section 468 BNSS
A-1	MEHERAJ @ MIHIRAJ MALLIK	Surrendered on 02.04.2025	Released on 02.04.2025	85/316(2)/3(5)of BNS	Acquitted	N/A	N/A
A-2	MANIRA MALLIK	Surrendered on 18.03.2025	Released on 18.03.2025	85/316(2)/3(5)of BNS	Acquitted	N/A	N/A
A-3	ALAMGIR MALLIK	Surrendered on 02.04.2025	Released on 02.04.2025	85/316(2)/3(5)of BNS	Acquitted	N/A	N/A
LIST OF PROSECUTION WITNESS							
RANK		NAME		NATURE OF EVIDENCE (EYE WITNESS, POLICE WITNESS, EXPERT WITNESS, MEDICAL WITNESS, PANCH WITNESS, OTHER WITNESS)			
PW1		Rajina Khatun		DEFACTO COMPLAINANT			

LIST OF DEFENCE WITNESS		
RANK	NAME	NATURE OF EVIDENCE (EYE WITNESS, POLICE WITNESS, EXPERT WITNESS, MEDICAL WITNESS, PANCH WITNESS, OTHER WITNESS)
NIL	NIL	NIL

LIST OF COURT WITNESS		
RANK	NAME	NATURE OF EVIDENCE (EYE WITNESS, POLICE WITNESS, EXPERT WITNESS, MEDICAL WITNESS, PANCH WITNESS, OTHER WITNESS)
NIL	NIL	NIL

LIST OF PROSECUTION EXHIBITS		
Sr. No.	Exhibit Number	Description
01	P1/PW1	Signature upon the Written Complaint

LIST OF DEFENCE EXHIBITS		
Sr. No.	Exhibit Number	Description
	NIL	NIL

LIST OF COURT EXHIBITS		
Sr. No.	Exhibit Number	Description
	NIL	NIL

LIST OF MATERIAL OBJECTS		
Sl. No.	Material Object Number	Description
	NIL	NIL

POINTS FOR DETERMINATION

- i) Whether the accused persons have committed offence punishable under Sections **85/316(2)/3(5) of BNS** as alleged ?
- ii) Has the prosecution been able to prove the charge under Sections **85/316(2)/3(5) of BNS** against the accused persons ?

DECISION WITH REASONS

- 1 . Both the points are taken up together for convenience of discussions and to avoid repetition.
- 2 . The instant case was initiated on the basis of a written complaint filed before O/C Uluberia Women PS by the de-facto complainant. The brief fact of the instant case is that the defacto complainant namely Rojina Khatun alleged that he got married with the accused no 1 namely Sk Meharaj Mallik as per muslim rites and customs on 24.08.2023. After few days of marriage, she was subjected to both physical and mental torture by her husband and his family members. Lastly on 03.12.2023, the accused persons assaulted her and she was compelled to leave her matrimonial home with her stridhan articles. Thereafter, the complainant has filed these case before the concerned PS for further relief.
- 3 . On the basis of such written complaint Uluberia Women PS Case no – 08/2025, dated 12.03.2025 under Sections 498A of IPC read with section **85/316(2)/3(5) of BNS** as initiated against the accused persons A-1 to A-4 and police took up investigation in the case.
- 4 . The I/O of this case, namely LSI Mampi Biswas of Uluberia Women PS HRD upon completion of the investigation submitted Charge-Sheet being No. 48/2025, dated 29.06.2025 under Sections **85/316(2)/3(5) of BNS** against the accused persons A-1 to A-3 in compliance with section 193(3) of BNSS.
- 5 . On receipt of the Charge-Sheet, the then Ld. A.C.J.M., Uluberia, took cognizance of the offence and after complying the provisions of Section 230 of the BNSS, transferred the case to this court for trial and final disposal vide order dated 20.12.2025.

6. Out of the fifteen (15) prosecution witnesses named in the charge-sheet, the prosecution examined one defacto complainant as PW-1.
7. Now before entering into the merit of the prosecution case, this Court would like to reiterate the cardinal principle of criminal law and justice that the prosecution has to establish its case beyond all reasonable doubt. Through the testimony of the witnesses fortified by documentary proof, the prosecution has to build or form a chain of circumstances and the same should be so complete that there is no escape from the conclusion that within all probability the crime was committed by the accused persons and none else and the evidence is consistent with the guilt of the accused persons and inconsistent with the plea of innocence. There must be clear and unequivocal proof of the *corpus delicti*.
8. PW-1/CSW-1 namely Rajina Khatun has appeared and deposed. She stated that she is the defacto complainant of this case. She has filed this case before Uluberia Women PS against three accused persons. All are present before the court (identified). Written Complaint is shown to the complainant. She identified her signature over there. Let her signature be marked as Ext. P1/PW1. The issue/dispute is amicably settled between them. She has filed the case due to misunderstanding. She has no further allegations against the accused persons. The accused persons are her husband and her family members. During cross examination, the defacto complainant has stated that she has deposed voluntarily. She has no allegation against the accused persons.
9. Considering the trend of deposition of PW-1, Ld. APP prayed for closing the evidence of the other witnesses in connection with this case and accordingly the prayer was allowed and evidence for the prosecution was closed on 20.05.2026 due to lack of inculpatory statement of PWs and after that 313 has been given by all the accused on 18.06.2026 and argument and judgment was fixed on 01.07.2026. After discharge, the prosecution witness as per prayer of Ld APP, I perused all the record and evidences and from bare perusal of the aforesaid document, I find that no such inculpatory material arise against the accused and thus if the 351 of BNSS will be taken on same date, it would not be infringed or breach of justice.
10. From the thorough study and scrutiny of the evidence on record and also in the light of the arguments put forward by the Ld. APP and the Ld. Counsel for the defence, it is clear that the witnesses have failed to corroborate the complaint and the case and allegations leveled against the accused persons in totality. None of the witnesses were successful in fully corroborating the FIR or naming or identifying the accused persons.
11. It is pertinent to refer the case of **Kathi Bharat Vajsur & Anr. Vs. State of Gujrat [(2012) 5 SCC 724]** wherein the Hon'ble Apex Court reiterated that, "*It is a well settled principle of criminal trial that the guilt of the accused must be proved beyond reasonable doubt....*" Thus, putting the case on the touchstone as narrated above, I find that the evidences cited are not awe inspiring in forming up a string of events to establish the prosecution case beyond reasonable doubt. With such state of the evidences on record this court has no hesitation to declare that the prosecution has failed to prove the charges against the accused persons A-1 to A-3. Accordingly, both the points for determination are decided in negative against the prosecution. Thus, the

case failed and the accused persons A-1 to A-3 are liable to be acquitted.

DECISION THEREOF

12 . Hence,
 it is,

ORDERED

that the accused persons A-1 to A-3 are found **not guilty** of committing the offence punishable under sections **85/316(2)/3(5) of BNS** and they are **acquitted** from this case under section 271(1) of BNSS.

The accused persons A-1 to A-3 are on Court bail and they are discharged forthwith from their bail bonds and set at liberty. The concerned sureties are also discharged from their obligations.

BC II to enter in relevant register. Update CIS.

The case being no. GR – 607 of 2025 (New GR – 1097 of 2025) is disposed of.

Dictated by me.

Judicial Magistrate, 2nd Court
Uluberia, Howrah

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CIS No. GR 1097 of 2025
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Order dated : 01.07.2026

Today is fixed for argument and judgment.

Ld APP is also present.

The accused A-1 to A-3 are present today and files hazira.

Heard argument at 2.00 pm and judgment passed on 4.30 pm.

Both parties are directed to be remain present.

Upon consideration of the materials on record and perusing the 351 of BNSS and argument submitted by both Advocate of the respective parties and thus I consider that the accused A-1 to A-3 are not guilty and liable to be acquitted from this case.

Later ,

Both the parties are present.

Judgment is delivered in open court.

Judgment is written in separate sheets containing 5 pages are kept with the record.

As per judgment it is

ORDERED

that the accused persons A-1 to A-3 are found **not guilty** of committing the offence punishable under sections **85/316(2)/3(5) of BNS** and they are **acquitted** from this case under section 271(1) of BNSS.

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Judgment is pronounced in open court on this 1st day of July, 2026 at 4.30 PM.

Let a copy of this order be sent to Ld. Secretary, DLSA, Howrah.

Take a note in relevant register and cause list.

D/C by me

Esharul Haque
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