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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)

Case No. : I.A.(Crl.)/1154/2025

SRI NIRMAL PAUL
SON OF LATE NARAYAN PAUL ALIAS NITAI PAUL RESIDENTS OF VILLAGE
- GOBARDHAN, GHORAMARA, JANPAM PIN-781150 UNDER
PRAGJYOTISHPUR POLICE STATION IN THE DISTRICT OF KAMRUP M
ASSAM.

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM
REPRESENTED BY P.P. ASSAM.

2:SRI AJOY PAUL
SON OF LATE SUBAL PAUL
RESIDENT OF VILLAGE- GOBARDHAN
GHORAMARA
JANPAM
P.O. -CHANDRAPUR
PIN781150
UNDER PRAGJYOTISHPUR POLICE STATION IN THE DISTRICT OF
KAMRUP M ASSAM

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR S I AHMED, MR. N AHMED

Advocate for the Respondent : PP, ASSAM,

BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE NELSON SAILO
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH MAZUMDAR

ORDER

Date : 09.06.2026

(Nelson Sailo, J)

1. Heard Mr. N. Ahmed, learned counsel for the appellant in Criminal Appeal No. 50/2016 and also for the applicant in I.A. (Criminal) No. 1154/2025, who submits that the applicant may be released on bail pending final consideration of the main appeal. He submits that all the other accused have been released on bail for one reason or the other. Therefore, applicant may also be given the benefit of being released on bail.
2. Ms. B. Bhuyan, learned Senior Counsel and Additional Public Prosecutor, submits that the others were released on grounds of juvenility and because of old age, whereas the state applicant is in his mid-forties only and that he had a major role to play in the crime. She also submits that the applicant had earlier approached this Court on two occasions with similar applications and both the applications were rejected.
3. Mr. N. Ahmed, learned counsel for the appellant submits that despite rejection of the applications earlier, the applicant has spent around 10 years in jail and that, prior to his conviction, he was said to have been released on bail during the trial.
4. Upon considering the above submissions, we deem it appropriate to post the matter for hearing on **16.07.2026**.
5. If for any reason, the appeals are not taken up for consideration on that day, learned counsel for the applicant would be at liberty to press the application seeking for suspension of the sentence and grant of bail.

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