



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK
CRLA No.934 of 2023

Sagar Pradhan

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Appellant

Represented By Adv. -
Rajib Lochan Pattnaik,
(Sapan Kumar Lenka),
Sarbeswar Sahoo, Priya
Ranjan Swain

-versus-

State of Odisha

.....

Respondent

Represented By Adv. -
Mr. C.M. Singh, ASC

CORAM:
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADITYA KUMAR MOHAPATRA

ORDER
07.08.2025

Order No.

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1. This matter is taken up through Hybrid Arrangement (Virtual/Physical Mode).
 2. On perusal of the record, it appears that the appeal has been admitted vide order dated 28.02.2024.
 3. Learned counsel for Appellant press for hearing of I.A. No.1997 of 2023, which is the application to release the Appellant on bail.
 4. On perusal of the record, it appears that the Appellant has been convicted for commission of offence punishable under Sections 363/376(2)(n) of I.P.C. as well as Section



4(2) of POCSO Act.

5. In view of the Rule-4 of POCSO Rules, notice is required to be sent to the Informant.

6. On the prayer of the learned counsel for the Appellant, he is permitted to add the Informant as Respondent No.2 in the appeal.

7. Let the corrected copy of the cause title of the appeal memo be uploaded within three working days hence.

8. Issue notice to the Respondent No.2 by registered post with A.D. by fixing a short returnable date. Requisites shall be filed within a week hence.

9. Learned counsel for the Appellant is directed to serve a copy of the appeal memo as well as bail application on the learned counsel for the State-Opposite Party No.1 within three working days hence, who shall forward the same to the IIC of the concerned Police Station, who in turn, shall serve the same to the Respondent No.2 indicating of his/her right to either oppose or support the bail application of the Appellant which is likely to be taken up by this Court on 1st September, 2025. In the event the Respondent No.2 wants to either oppose or support the bail application of the Appellant, he/she may do so either engaging any counsel or by remaining present through



virtual mode. In the event he/she opts for virtual mode, then necessary arrangement be made by the local police station for such appearance of the Respondent No.2 on 1st September, 2025.

10. List this matter in the week commencing 1st of September, 2025.

(A.K. Mohapatra)
Judge

Debasis