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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR

Criminal Appeal No.453 of 2011

Bijendra Lal, S/o Shri Sukhan, aged about 32 years, occupation Agriculture,
R/o Rameshpur, Police Station Raghunath Nagar, District Surguja,
Chhattisgarh

---- Appellant

versus

State of Chhattisgarh through Police Station Raghunath Nagar, District
Surguja, Chhattisgarh

--- Respondent

For Appellant	:	None
For State/Respondent	:	Shri Lav Sharma, Panel Lawyer

Hon'ble Shri Justice Arvind Singh Chandel

Judgment on Board

23.9.2017

1. The Appellant has been convicted under Sections 304-B and 498-A of the Indian Penal Code and sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment for 10 years and to pay fine of Rs.1000/- and rigorous imprisonment for 2 years and to pay fine of Rs.500/-, respectively, with default stipulation.
2. A certificate of incarceration sent by the Jail Superintendent, Central Jail, Ambikapur and received today would mention that the Appellant has undergone the entire jail sentence and deposited the amount of fine imposed upon him by the Trial Court and already released on 4.7.2016 from the Central Jail.
3. Since no one appears for the Appellant today, therefore, I decide the appeal on merits.
4. I have perused the record to assess the correctness of the impugned judgment of conviction.

5. The Appellant has allegedly committed the dowry death of his wife Situlabai within 7 years of their marriage. The case of the prosecution is based on the statements of the father of the deceased Salikdas (PW5) and brother Dilbaran (PW4). They have duly supported the case of the prosecution and their statements are corroborated by the statement of Dr. (Smt.) Manju Ekka (PW2) and the post mortem report (Ex.P2) prepared by her.
6. Considering the material available on record, I do not find any merit in this appeal.
7. Consequently, the appeal deserves to be and is hereby dismissed.

Sd/-
(Arvind Singh Chandel)
Judge