

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

CRLMC No. 2402 of 2022

Bijaya Kumar Rout

....

Petitioner

Mr. Pradipta Beura, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Orissa

....

Opposite Party

Mr.S.S.Mohapatra, ASC

**CORAM:
MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAİK**

**ORDER
16.09.2022**

Order No.

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1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the State.
2. Instant petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. has been filed by the petitioner challenging the order of NBW dated 7th July, 2022 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Athgarh in Special Case No.05 of 2016 on the grounds stated therein.
3. Perused the certified copy of impugned order dated 7th July, 2022 as at Annexure-1.
4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner was on court bail on 26th December, 2016 but subsequently, NBW has been issued against him on 7th July, 2022 since he defaulted in appearance. It is further submitted that the petitioner could not know about the date fixed by the learned court below nor his Advocate had taken any step, as a result of which, the

impugned order was passed and considering the fact that he was on previous bail, the petitioner should be directed to surrender and allowed to go on bail with conditions.

5. The Court perused the order dated 7th July, 2022 but does not find any illegality being committed by the learned court below. In fact, the petitioner failed to turn up and on account of his default and since the defense counsel did not take any step on his behalf, the learned court below rightly issued the NBW against him. However, at this juncture, the Court is of the view that in the facts and circumstances of the case, the petitioner should be directed to surrender before the court below and released on bail with conditions which instead would serve the purpose.

6. Accordingly, it is ordered.

7. In the result, the CRLMC stands disposed of with a direction to the petitioner to surrender before the court of learned Additional Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge, Athgarh on 30th September, 2022 in Special Case No.05 of 2016 and in the event of his surrender, the court below shall release him on bail subject to conditions.

8. An urgent certified copy of this order be issued as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge