IN THE COURT OF APPEAL OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

Court of Appeal No: CA 91/11

High Court/Colombo Case No. HC 4889/2009

Hon. Attorney General Attorney General's Department, Colombo 12.

Complainant

Vs.

Thanthrige Priyantha Gamini Peiris

Accused

And Now

Thanthrige Priyantha Gamini Peiris No: 195/B, Elawata Rauma Obesekerapura. (Presently at Remand Prison)

Vs.

Hon. Attorney General Attorney General's Department, Colombo 12.

Respondent

C.A. No. 91/2011

H.C. Colombo No. HC 4889/09

BEFORE

VIJITH K. MALALGODA PCJ (P/CA) &

H.C.J. MADAWALA, J.

COUNSEL

Rakitha Abeysinghe for the Accused-Appellant.

Thusith Mudalige SSC for the respondent.

ARGUED AND

DECIDED ON

03rd June, 2015.

VIJITH K. MALALGODA PCJ (P/CA)

In this case the accused-appellant was indicted before the High Court of Colombo on two counts under the Poisons Opium and Dangerous Drugs Ordinance for having being in possession and trafficking of quantity less than 1 gram of heroin. After full trial, the accused-appellant was convicted by the learned High Court Judge and imposed 7 years rigorous imprisonment on both counts with a fine of Rs. 50,000/- and in default a period of 01 year rigorous imprisonment. The above two sentences were ordered to run consecutively and the learned High Court Judge in his order had given reasons as to why he decided to impose the maximum and ordered them to run consecutively. The accused-appellant has committed this offence whilst

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consecutively after the operation of the main sentence. Subject to the

above variation in the sentences the appeal stands dismissed.

At this stage the Counsel makes an application with regard

to the operation of the sentences. Court makes order that the operation

of the sentences to commence from the date of conviction i.e. 24-05-

2011.

The Registrar is directed to forward this case record together

with this order to the Registrar of the High Court of Colombo in order to

implement this sentence.

PRESIDENT OF APPEAL

H.C.J. MADAWALA, J.

I agree.

JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL

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