

CRR 17 of 2021

Tapan Ray @ Tapan Roy
Vs.
The State of West Bengal

In Re: An Application under Section 483 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 in connection with N. D. P. S. Case No. 78 of 2019 under Section 21 (C) of the N. D. P. S. Act pending before the learned District and Sessions Judge, 1st Court, Barrackpore, North 24 Parganas.

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Ms. Juin Dutta Chakraborty
.....For the Petitioner
Mr. Madhusudan Sur, Ld. A.P. P.
Mr. Dipankar Paramanick
.....For the State

The petitioner is aggrieved by the progress of the case pending before the learned trial court.

It is seen from the records that the petitioner is in custody since 12.06.2019. Although charge sheet has been submitted, charge is yet to be framed.

The learned advocate for the petitioner submits that the next date is fixed on 11.01.2021.

In view of the said submission the learned trial court is directed that the stage for consideration of charge should be over on the next date so fixed or within a week thereafter. It is submitted that the prosecution relied upon nine witnesses.

In view of the aforesaid, I direct the learned trial court to take steps by fixing regular schedule at least once in a month so that the trial of the case can be taken to its logical conclusion

within a reasonable period of time.

No unnecessary adjournment should be granted to either of the parties and in case any witness is absent without a reasonable cause, the learned trial court would be at liberty to exhaust harsher process of law.

With the aforesaid observations CRR 17 of 2021 is disposed of.

(Tirthankar Ghosh, J.)