

Form No. J(2)

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CRIMINAL REVISIONAL JURISDICTION

Present:

The Hon'ble Justice Jay Sengupta

C.R.R. 267 of 2021

Mannan Sardar

-vs-

The State of West Bengal

For the Petitioners : Mr. Angshuman Chakraborty

For the Opposite Party : Mr. Bidyut Kumar Roy,
Ms. Rita Dutta

Heard on: 02.02.2021

Judgment on: 02.02.2021

Jay Sengupta, J.:

This is an application for seeking expeditious disposal of a proceeding in which charges were framed under Sections 20(b)(ii) of the NDPS Act.

Let a copy of the application and certified copy of the order-sheet be served upon Mr. Roy and Ms. Dutta, learned counsels, who are present in Court and ordinarily appear for the State. Their engagement be regularised in due course by the competent authority of the State.

Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits as follows. The petitioner is in custody since 20.09.2018. A charge-sheet was submitted in 2018 itself and a supplementary charge-sheet was submitted in 2019. There are eight witnesses in this case. Although the charges were framed on 02.12.2019, till date trial could not be concluded. The impugned proceeding has remained pending for no fault of the present petitioner.

I have heard the learned counsels appearing on behalf of the petitioner and the State and have perused the revision petition.

No prejudice will be caused to anyone if a direction for expeditious disposal of the proceeding is passed in this case.

It appears that some delay has been occasioned in concluding the impugned proceeding.

In view of the above and in the interest of justice, I request the learned trial court to conclude the trial as expeditiously as possible without granting any unnecessary adjournment to either of the parties, preferably within a period of one year from the next date of hearing.

With these observations, the revisional application is disposed of.

Urgent photostat certified copy of the order, if applied for,
be given to the parties, upon usual undertakings.

(Jay Sengupta, J.)

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