

In the matter of:- Rafikul Islam Mondal @ Hafi

...petitioner

Ms. Malashree Ghosh

...for the petitioner.

Mr. Prasun Kumar Datta,
Mr. Santanu Deb Roy.

...for the State.

This is an application seeking expeditious disposal of a proceeding in which a charge sheet was submitted under Sections 21(C) and 29 of the Narcotic Drugs Psychotropic Substance Act.

Let a copy of this application be served upon Mr. Prasun Kumar Datta and Mr. Santanu Deb Roy, learned Counsels who ordinarily appear on behalf of the State and are present in Court today. Their engagement may be regularised by the competent authority of the State in due course.

Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits as follows. The petitioner is in custody in connection with the present case since the date of arrest i.e. 21.09.2019. Although the case was started in September, 2019, till date even charges could not be framed. Long dates are being fixed. 17.02.2021 has been fixed as the next date for framing of charge.

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

It appears that some delay has been occasioned in concluding the impugned proceeding, especially considering the fact that the petitioner is in custody since September, 2019.

In view of the above and in the interest of justice, I request the

learned Trial Court to conclude the proceeding as expeditiously as possible without granting any unnecessary adjournment to any of the parties, and in particular, to decide the question of framing of charge on the next date fixed for hearing i.e. on 17.02.2021 or within a week from then and thereafter proceed with the matter expeditiously.

With these observations, the revisional application is disposed of.

Urgent photostat certified copy of this order may be supplied to the parties expeditiously, if applied for.

(Jay Sengupta, J.)