

C.R.R. 351 of 2021

In the matter of: Moyna @ Md. Sadiqur Rahaman
....petitioner.

Mr. A. Chakraborty
...for the petitioner.

Mr. P. Dutta,
Mr. M. F. A. Begg
...for the State.

This is an application seeking an expeditious disposal of a proceeding in which a charge sheet was submitted under Sections 23(C) and 29 of the NDPS Act and Section 14 of the Foreigners Act.

A copy of the application is served upon Mr. Dutta and Mr. Bose, learned advocates who are present in Court and who ordinarily appear on behalf of the State. They are requested to appear in the matter. Their engagement be regularised by the competent authority of the State.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits as follows. The petitioner is an accused in this case. He was arrested on 10.02.2020 and is in custody since then. Although the charge sheet was submitted in February, 2020 and the supplementary charge sheet was submitted in December, 2020, till date the proceeding could not be concluded. 18.3.2021 has been fixed as the date for framing of charge. The proceeding has largely remained pending for no fault of the present petitioner. The impugned proceeding ought to be expedited in the interest of justice.

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 the proceeding has gone on at a decent pace.

However, as the petitioner is in custody since 29.02.2020, it is expected that the learned trial court shall conclude the trial as expeditiously as possible without granting any unnecessary adjournment to any of the parties and decide the question of framing of charge on the date fixed or soon thereafter.

No other order need be passed in this case.

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.)