

In the matter of:- Debolina Das @ Debolina Nandi (Das) ...petitioner

Mr. Syamantak Banerjee,
Mr. Aniruddha Bhattacharyya.
...for the petitioner.

Mr. Bidyut Kumar Roy,
Mr. Mirza Firoj Ahmed Begg.
...for the State.

This is an application seeking an expeditious disposal of a proceeding in which a charge sheet was submitted under Sections 323, 341 and 506 of the Penal Code.

Let a copy of this application be served upon Mr. Bidyut Kumar Roy and Mr. Mirza Firoj Ahmed Begg, learned Counsels who ordinarily appear on behalf of the State and who 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 an accused in this case. Although the FIR was lodged on 12.01.2019 and the charge sheet was submitted on 31.03.2019, till date the proceeding could not be concluded. Long dates are being fixed. On 03.08.2020, the next date was fixed as 28.09.2021. Even charges could not be framed till date. The proceeding has remained pending for no fault of the present petitioner.

Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the State submits that in the interest of justice, the impugned proceeding should be expedited.

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

Although it does not appear that an inordinate delay has been

occasioned in this case, yet from the order sheet it appears that long dates are being fixed which might further delay the proceeding.

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, prepone the next date of hearing to any date in the month of June, 2021 and in particular, to decide the question of framing of charges at the earliest, preferably on the said date of hearing or within two months from then.

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.)