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CRM No.9004 of 2020

In re: An application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure filed in connection with **Ashoknagar** P.S. Case **No.285 of 2015** dated **11.04.2015** under Sections **320/201/120B/379/411** of the Indian Penal Code and Section **14** of Foreigners Act;

And

In re: Palash Sk. @ Palash Seikh @ Palash Sheikh & Anr.
... petitioners.

Mr. Debasis Kar
Mr. Subhajit Chowdhury ... for the petitioners.

Mr. Saswata Gopal Mukherjee, Ld.P.P.
Ms. Zareen N. Khan
Mr. M.F.A Begg ...for the State.

Mr. Kar, learned advocate appearing for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are in custody for a substantial period of time. In spite of earlier directions of this Court, there had been no progress in the trial and in view thereof, further detention of the petitioners is not warranted.

Mr. Mukherjee, learned public prosecutor appearing for the State submits, upon instruction, that the prosecution has already concluded its argument and next date has been fixed on 26th February, 2021 for argument of the defence. Let the written instruction, as produced, be kept on record.

As there had been a substantial progress in the trial and as the next date is fixed on 26th February, 2021 for argument, we are not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail at this advanced stage of trial.

However, the learned trial court is directed to pronounce the final verdict as expeditiously as possible and preferably within a

period of two months from the date of communication of this order.

With the above observations, the application for bail being CRM No.9004 of 2020, is disposed of.

All parties shall act on the server copies of this order duly downloaded from the official website of this Court.

(Tirthankar Ghosh, J.)

(Tapabrata Chakraborty, J.)