

CRR 1871 of 2020

In the matter of : Saharuk alias Saharup Gazi

Mr. Angshuman Chakraborty
Mr. S. S. Saha ... for the petitioner

Mr. Imran Ali
Mr. Dipankar Paramanick ... for the State

This is an application seeking an expeditious disposal of a proceeding in which a charge sheet was submitted under section 21(c) and Section 29 of the NDPS Act.

Mr. Imran Ali, learned counsel and Mr. Dipankar Paramanick, learned counsel who ordinarily appear on behalf of the State are requested to appear in this matter. Their engagement may be regularised by the competent authority of the State in due course. A copy of the application is served upon them in court.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits as follows. The petitioner is an accused in this case. He is in custody since 17.10.2019. Although the F.I.R. was lodged on 17.10.2019, till date proceeding has not been concluded. A charge Sheet was submitted on 31.10.2019 and a supplementary charge sheet containing the chemical report was submitted on 01.12.2020. In spite of these, till date even the charges could not be framed. There are eight witnesses mentioned in the charge sheet. The proceeding has remained pending for no fault on the part of the petitioner.

I have heard the submissions of the learned advocates of the parties and perused the revision petition.

No prejudice will be caused to any one if an order is passed directing expeditious disposal of the proceeding.

It appears that some delay has been occasioned in concluding the proceeding, especially considering the fact that petitioner is in custody since 17.10.2019.

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 issue of framing of charges at the earliest, preferably within a period of three months from the next date of hearing.

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.)