

Sr. 45
04-01-2021
s. d.
ct, no.42

CRR 1888 of 2020

In Re : **Prasenjit Saha @ Nyapa and anr. ... petitioners.**

In the matter of : An application under Sections 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure in connection with NDPS Case No. 45/2019 arising out of Chinsurah P. S. Case No. 407/2019 dated 21.11.2019 under Section 20 (b) (ii) (c) of the NDPS Act passed by the Ld. Additional Sessions Judge cum Judge Special Court, Hooghly.

Mr. Sudip Ghosh Chowdhury
Mr. Argha Das

.....for the petitioners.

Mr. Arijit Ganguly
Mr. Pratick Bose

....for the State.

Liberty is granted to the petitioners to amend the cause title.

The petitioners are aggrieved by the fact that the petitioners are in custody for more than 13 months, yet there has been no progress in the case. It has been brought to the notice of this court by the learned advocate for the petitioners that they were arrested on 21.11.2019, charge sheet was submitted on 05.06.2020 and the supplementary chargesheet has already been submitted.

The record reveals that the prosecution has relied upon 12 witnesses and it has been submitted that the next date is fixed on 21.01.2021 for consideration of charge.

Having regard to the period of detention of the petitioners, I am of the opinion that the learned court should take all efforts so that the stage of consideration of charge against the petitioners can be completed on the next date so fixed or within a week thereafter.

The learned trial court would thereafter proceed by fixing a schedule at regular intervals so that the trial can be taken to its logical conclusion within a reasonable period of time.

With the aforesaid observations, CRR 1888 of 2020 is disposed of.

Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties upon compliance of all formalities.

(Tirthankar Ghosh, J.)