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(Via Video Conference)

CRR 30 of 2022

In the matter of:- Abbas Mondal & Anr.

Mr. Jisan Iqbal Hossain
.....for the petitioners

Mr. Imran Ali
Mrs. Debjani Sahu
.....for the State

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

Let a copy of this application be served upon Mr. Imran Ali and Mrs. Debjani Sahu, learned counsels, who are present in court today and who ordinarily appear on behalf of the State. Their engagement may be regularised in due course by the competent authority of the State.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners submits as follows. The petitioners are the accused in this case. They were arrested on 04.10.2018, the date on which the FIR was registered. Charge-sheet was submitted proposing to examine 13 witnesses. Charges were framed on 09.12.2019. Yet, till date the proceeding could not be concluded. Only 5 witnesses could be examined. The trial has remained pending for no fault of the present petitioners.

Learned counsel for the State submits that the

State would not come in the way if a direction is passed to expedite the trial.

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

It appears that an inordinate delay has been occasioned in this case, especially considering the fact that the petitioners are in custody since 04.10.2018.

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, preferably within a period of eight months from resumption of normal functioning of the court.

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.)