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CRR 303 of 2022

Ct. No. 39

In the matter of:- Habibur Rahaman @ Babu & Anr. ...petitioners

Mr. Angshuman Chakraborty.
...for the petitioners.

Mr. Sudip Ghosh.
....for the State.

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

Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners submits as follows. The petitioners were arrested on 22.10.2019, the date on which the FIR was registered. Since then, they are in custody. A charge sheet was submitted in 2019. A supplementary charge sheet was also submitted in 2020. In all, eleven witnesses are proposed to be examined as per the charge sheet. On 04.03.2021, charges were framed. However, till date, not a single witness has been examined in this case. The matter has remained pending for no fault on the part of the present petitioner.

Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the State submits that the State would not come in the way if a direction is passed to expedite the proceeding.

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

It appears that some delay has been occasioned in concluding the trial, especially considering the fact that the petitioners are languishing in custody since 22.10.2019.

In view of the above and in the interest of justice, the learned

Court is requested to conclude the trial as expeditiously as possible without granting any unnecessary adjournment to any of the parties, preferably within a period of ten months from the resumption of normal functioning of the learned Trial Court.

With the above 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.)