

In the matter of:- Kripananda Mishra

...petitioner

Mr. Indrakant Jha.
...for the petitioner.

Mr. Imran Ali,
Mr. Nirupam Dhali.
....for the State.

This is an application seeking an expeditious disposal of a proceeding in which a charge sheet was submitted under Sections 498A and 34 of the Penal Code.

Let a copy of this application be served upon Mr. Imran Ali and Mr. Nirupam Dhali, learned Counsels who ordinarily appear on behalf of the State. Let them represent the State. Their engagement may be regularised by the competent authority of the State in due course.

Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits as follows. The petitioner is an accused in this case. He is the aged father-in-law of the de facto complainant. The FIR was lodged in 2011. A charge sheet was submitted on 13.06.2012. Yet, till date the proceeding could not be concluded. Out of a total of seven witnesses in this case, only three witnesses could be examined. The witnesses nos.5 and 6 are not turning up. The present proceeding 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 an inordinate delay has been occasioned in concluding the trial, especially considering the fact that the FIR was lodged in this case way back in 2011.

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 next date of hearing.

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.)