

29.03.2022

CRR 965 of 2022

Ct. No. 39

In the matter of:- Deepu Singh

...petitioner

Mr. Joy Chakraborty,
Mr. Sandip Dinda.
...for the petitioner.

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 21(c) and 29 of the NDPS Act.

Let a copy of this application be served upon Mr. Nirupam Dhali, learned Counsel who ordinarily appear on behalf of the State. Let him represent the State. His 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 in custody since 09.08.2019, the date on which the FIR was registered. A charge sheet was submitted in June, 2020. In all, the prosecution intends to examine nine witnesses in this case as mentioned in the charge sheet. 11.06.2021 was fixed for framing of charge. Yet, till date even charge sheet could not be framed 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 an inordinate delay has been occasioned in concluding the proceeding, especially considering the fact that the petitioner is languishing in custody since 09.08.2019.

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 and in particular, to consider the question of framing of charge upon the next date fixed for hearing or within two months from this date.

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.)