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C.R.M.(DB) No. 2272 of 2022

In Re:- An application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure in connection with Maipith Coastal Police Station Case No. 20 of 2022 dated 14.03.2022 under Sections 363/365 of the Indian Penal Code and adding Sections 376/417 of the Indian Penal Code and adding Section 04 of the POCSO Act.

In Re : Gostha Gopal Das @ Kalachand Das ..... petitioner

Mr. Angshuman Chakraborty

Mr. Ashutosh Mondal

... for the petitioner

Ms. A. Sinha

Mr. P. K. Mitra

... for the State

Petitioner is in custody for 121 days. It is further submitted that there was a love affair between the parties.

Learned Counsel appearing for the State submits that the petitioner was a married man who suppressed his marital status and cohabited with the minor.

We have considered the materials on record. Statement of the minor prima facie shows dishonest intention of the petitioner in suppressing his marital status and cohabiting with the minor.

Under such circumstances and in view of gravity of the offence, we are not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner at this stage.

The application for bail is, thus, rejected.

**(Ananya Bandyopadhyay, J.)**

**(Joymalya Bagchi, J.)**

