

09.11.2022
Serial no. 11
[Dd]
(Anticipatory bail)
(**Rejected**)

CRM (A) 4724 of 2022

In re : An Application for **Anticipatory Bail** under Section **438** of the Code of Criminal Procedure in connection with **Katwa** Police Station Case No. **434** of **2022** dated **14.07.2022** corresponding to Spl Case No. **447 of 2022** under Sections **135(1)(b)** of the Electricity Act, 2003.

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In the matter of : **Mujibar Rahaman Sk. @ Majibur
Rahaman Seikh**
... ..**Petitioner**

Mr. Apurba Kr. Dutta,
Mr. Kuntal Banerjee, Advocates
... .. For the Petitioner

Mr. Aniket Mitra, Advocate
... ..For the WBSEDCL

Mr. Chittaranjan Ghosh, Advocate
.. ...For the State

Petitioner prays for anticipatory bail.

Learned advocate appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner complained of defective meter. No steps were taken. The initial provisional assessment bill was less than 2 lakhs.

Learned Advocate appearing for the Distribution Company submits that it is not a case of meter tampering but bypass of the main connection and stealing electricity.

State is represented.

There are materials in the case diary implicating the petitioner in the theft of electricity.

The requirement of custodial interrogation of the petitioner cannot overlooked.

In such circumstances, we are not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner is **rejected**.
CRM (A) 4724 of 2022 is **dismissed**.

(Debangsu Basak, J.)

(Md. Shabbar Rashidi, J.)