

23.12.2022
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[ALLOWED]

C. R. M. (NDPS) 1524 of 2022

In Re: An application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure filed on 14.12.2022 in connection with Hili Police Station Case No. 62 of 2022 dated 14.03.2022 under Sections 21(c)/22(c)/23(c)/27A of the NDPS Act.

And

In Re: ***Sabu Mondal***

... .. Petitioner

Mr. Kausik Chowdhury
Ms. Busra Khatoon

... .. for the petitioner

Mr. Saryati Datta

... .. for the State

It is submitted on behalf of the petitioner that he is in custody for about 116 days. It is further submitted no narcotic substance was recovered from his possession.

Learned advocate appearing for the State opposes the prayer for bail and submits petitioner deals in narcotic substance.

We have considered the materials on record. We find that no narcotic substance was recovered from the possession of the petitioner. Statements of witnesses are general and omnibus. They do not relate to the transaction in question. Under such circumstances, we are of the opinion that the petitioner has been able to rebut the statutory restrictions under Section 37 of the NDPS Act. In view of the aforesaid fact and period of detention suffered by the petitioner, we are of the opinion further detention of the accused/petitioner is not necessary.

Therefore, the accused/petitioner, namely ***Sabu Mondal***, be released on bail upon furnishing bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten thousand only), with two sureties of like amount each, one of whom must be local, to the satisfaction of the learned Judge, Special Court

under the NDPS Act-cum-Additional District Judge, 3rd Court, Dakshin Dinajpur at Balurghat subject to condition that the said petitioner shall appear before the trial court on every date of hearing until further orders and shall not intimidate witnesses or tamper with evidence in any manner whatsoever or commit similar offences in future.

In the event he fails to appear before the trial court without any justifiable cause, the trial court shall be at liberty to cancel his bail automatically without reference to this court.

The application for bail, thus, stands **allowed**.

(Ajay Kumar Gupta, J.)

(Joymalya Bagchi, J.)