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[Rejected]

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri

C. R. M. (NDPS) 252 of 2022

In Re: An application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure filed on 06.07.2022 in connection with Sitalkuchi Police Station Case No. 112 of 2020 dated 19.08.2020 under Sections 20(b)(i)(c)/29 of the NDPS Act. (NDPS Case No.70 of 2020)

And

In Re: ***Sanatan Das & Anr.***

... .. Petitioners

Mr. Prabir Majumder
Mr. Snehansu Majumder

... .. for the petitioners

Mr. Aditi Sankar Chakraborty .. Id. Addl. Public Prosecutor
Mr. Nilay Chakraborty
Mr. Aniruddha Biswas

... .. for the State

It is submitted on behalf of the petitioners that they are in custody for about two years. It is further submitted independent witnesses have not supported the case.

Learned advocate appearing for the State opposes the prayer for bail.

We have considered the materials on record. Official witnesses have supported the prosecution case. Impact of the independent witnesses turning hostile has to be seen in the light of the other evidence on record. Under such circumstances and as trial has considerably progressed, we are not inclined in granting bail to the petitioners.

The application for bail is thus **rejected**.

Trial court is directed to expedite the trial and conclude the same at an early date without granting unnecessary adjournments to either of the parties.

(Ananya Bandyopadhyay, J.)

(Joymalya Bagchi, J.)