

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CRIMINAL REVISIONAL JURISDICTION
APPELLATE SIDE

The Hon'ble **JUSTICE BIBEK CHAUDHURI**

CRR 99 of 2023

Rabi Das

-Vs-

The State of West Bengal

For the petitioner: Mr. Arunava Ganguly, Adv

For the State: Mr. Sujan Chatterjee, Adv.,

Heard on: 17th January, 2023.

Judgment on: 17th January, 2023.

BIBEK CHAUDHURI, J. : –

1. This is an application for expeditious disposal of N case no. 16 of 2021 filed by the petitioner/accused person in custody arising out of Chinsurah Police Station Case no. 231 of 2021 dated 30th May, 2021 under Section 21(C) of the Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1984 read with section 25/27 of Arms Act presently pending before the Learned Additional Sessions Judge cum Judge Special Court, (E.C. Act), Hooghly.

2. On perusal of the instant application and the materials on record, this court is of the view that the instant application can be disposed of with the assistance of the learned public prosecutor-in-charge on behalf

of the State. Therefore Mr. Sujan Chatterjee learned advocate is requested to assist this court on behalf of the state. Appointment of Mr. Sujan Chatterjee be regularized by the learned Legal Remembrancer, Government of West Bengal.

3. It is submitted by the learned advocate for the petitioner that the petitioner was arrested on 30th May, 2021 on the allegation of committing offence under Section 21(C) of the Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1984. Since then, he is in custody. After completion of investigation Chargesheet was submitted on 23rd November, 2021 and charge was framed on 24th November, 2022 under Section 21(C)/29 of the NDPS Act read with Section 379/411 of the IPC and Section 25/27/35 of the Arms Act after several adjournments.

4. It is further submitted by the learned Advocate for the petitioner that the prosecution is not at all serious for speedy disposal of the case. Therefore, necessary direction may be issued upon the court below for expeditious disposal.

5. In view of the above factual position, it is premature to pass any order for expeditious disposal of the above case. However, the trial court is directed to dispose of the case as early as possible.

6. The instant criminal revision is thus disposed of with the above direction

(Bibek Chaudhuri, J.)