

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CRIMINAL REVISIONAL JURISDICTION
APPELLATE SIDE

The Hon'ble **JUSTICE BIBEK CHAUDHURI**

CRR 298 of 2023

Anish Bhajan @ Banty
-Vs-
The State of West Bengal

For the petitioner: Mr. Arunava Ganguly, Adv.,

For the State: Mr. Sandeep Chakraborty, Adv.,

Heard on: 4th April, 2023.

Judgment on: 4th April, 2023.

BIBEK CHAUDHURI, J. : –

1. This is an application for expeditious disposal of NDPS case no. 04 of 2022 filed by the petitioner/accused person in custody arising out of Serampore Police Station Case no. 39 of 2022 dated 1st February, 2022 under Section 21(c) of the Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1984 presently pending before the Learned Additional Sessions Judge cum Judge Special Court, 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. Sandeep Chakraborty learned advocate is requested to assist this court on behalf of the state. Appointment of Mr.

Sandeep Chakraborty 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 1st February, 2022 and since then he is in custody. After completion of investigation Chargesheet along with supplementary chargesheet was submitted on 21st July, 2022. Thereafter charge was framed on 11th January, 2023 under Section 21(c) of the NDPS Act fixing 9th February, 2023 for evidence.

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 case. However, the trial court is directed to take positive step for appearance of the witnesses on the given dates and dispose of the matter as early as possible.

6. The instant criminal revision is disposed of with the above order on contest.

(Bibek Chaudhuri, J.)