

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CRIMINAL REVISIONAL JURISDICTION
APPELLATE SIDE

The Hon'ble **JUSTICE BIBEK CHAUDHURI**

CRR 496 of 2023

Md. Jahangir Mondal
-Vs-
The State of West Bengal

For the petitioner: Mr. Shashanka Shekhar Saha, Adv.,

For the State: Ms. Sonali Das, Adv.,

Heard on: 4th April, 2023.

Judgment on: 4th April, 2023.

BIBEK CHAUDHURI, J. : –

1. This is an application for expeditious disposal of N case no. 114 of 2021 filed by the petitioner/accused person in custody arising out of Baduria Police Station Case no. 536 of 2021 dated 7th September, 2021 under Section 21(c) of the Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1984 presently pending before the Learned 6th Additional Sessions Judge at Barasat.

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 Ms. Sonali Das learned advocate is requested to assist this court on behalf of the state. Appointment of Ms. Sonali Das 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 7th September, 2021 and since then he is in custody. After completion of investigation Chargesheet was submitted dated 31st October, 2021 along with supplementary chargesheet on 10th September, 2022 with a total of 11 witnesses to be examined. Thereafter charge was framed on 13th January, 2023 under Section 21(c) of the NDPS Act fixing 29th March, 2023 to 31st March, 2023 for production and 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.)