

27.02.2023
Serial no. 07
[Dd]
(Anticipatory bail)
Allowed)

CRM (A) 818 of 2023

In re : An Application for **Anticipatory Bail** under Section **438** of the Code of Criminal Procedure in connection with NDPS case no. 83 of 2022 arising out of **Murutia** Police Station Case No. **288** of **2022** dated **20.11.2022** under Sections **21(c)/29** of the Narcotic Drug and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

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In the matter of : **Saiful Shaikh @ Saiful Seikh**
... .. Petitioner

Mr. Atis Kumar Biswas,
Ms. Jyoti Agarwal, Advocates
... .. *For the Petitioner*

Mr. Sanjoy Bardhan,
Ms. Debjani Dasgupta, Advocates
... ..*For the State*

Report as called for by the order dated February 24, 2023 filed in Court be taken on record.

The State is unable to demonstrate any nexus between the petitioner and the person arrested with the commercial quantity of narcotics and/or the seized commercial quantity of narcotics.

Police apparently are proceeding against the petitioner on the basis of the statement of the co-accused made while in custody.

In such circumstances, we are of the view that the petitioner is able to overcome the restrictions under Section 37 of the NDPS Act, 1985.

Consequently, we are inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Accordingly, we direct that in the event of arrest the petitioner shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only), with two sureties of like amount each, to the satisfaction of the arresting officer and also be subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 and on further condition that the petitioner shall report before the Investigating Officer once in a week till the conclusion of the investigation and on further condition that the petitioner shall appear on every date before the jurisdictional Court on and from the date fixed for appearance of the accused and in default the jurisdictional Court will pass appropriate order to secure the presence of the petitioner in Court including cancelling the anticipatory bail granted without further reference to this Court.

Prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner is **allowed**.

CRM (A) 818 of 2023 is disposed of.

(Debangsu Basak, J.)

(Md. Shabbar Rashidi, J.)