

15.03.2023
Sl. No.21
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[Rejected]

C. R. M. (DB) 917 of 2023

In Re: An application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure filed on 20.02.2023 in connection with Jangipur Women Police Station Case No.18 of 2017 dated 14.06.2017 under Section 376(2)(P)(i)(n) of the Indian Penal Code and Section 6 of the POCSO Act.

And

In Re: **Bablu Sk.**

... .. Petitioner

Mr. Tapodip Gupta

... .. for the petitioner

Mr. Shiladitya Banerjee

... .. for the State

It is submitted on behalf of the petitioner that he is in custody for more than five years. It is further submitted there is inordinate delay in trial.

Learned Advocate for the State opposes the prayer for bail and submits trial is at its fag-end.

We have considered the materials on record. Petitioner is the father of the minor victim. She was ravished by him. Minor has supported the prosecution case. Under such circumstances, we are not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner at this stage.

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

Trial court is directed to conduct the trial as expeditiously as possible and conclude the same at an early date preferably within three months from the next date fixed for recording evidence without granting unnecessary adjournments to either of the parties.

(Ajay Kumar Gupta, J.)

(Joymalya Bagchi, J.)

