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C.R.M.(DB) No. 2392 of 2023

In Re:- An application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure in connection with Asansol GRPS Case No. 49 of 2022 dated 15.12.2022 under Sections 365/366A/366B/370 of the Indian Penal Code.

And

In Re : Sri Dhruba Sadhukhan petitioner

Mr. Suman Das

....for the petitioner

Mr. Saibal Bapuli, learned APP

Mr. Arani Bhattacharyya

..... for the State

Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits he is in custody for more than four and half months. There is no material connecting him with the trafficking of girls in the present case.

Learned Counsel for the State opposes the prayer for bail and submits petitioner is a habitual offender. His vehicle was used for trafficking the girls.

We have considered the materials on record. Petitioner's vehicle was apprehended at Howrah while trafficking girls. A separate criminal case was registered. Statement of driver of the petitioner disclosed use of the vehicle in the present case for trafficking. Under such circumstances petitioner was arrested.

Keeping in mind the nature of offence which partakes the character of organised criminal activity and involvement of the petitioner therein, we are not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner at this stage.

The application for bail is, thus, rejected.

(Ajay Kumar Gupta, J.)

(Joymalya Bagchi, J.)