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Serial no. 304
[G.S.D]

CRR 4726 of 2023

In the matter of : Gautam Kumar Mishra

... .. Petitioner

Mr. R. Bhattacharya
Mr. S. Dutta

... for the Petitioner

Mr. Arabinda Manna

... for the State

The petitioners are directed to serve upon Mr. Arabinda Manna, Id. advocate, who ordinarily appears on behalf of the State. His appearance may be regularized by the concerned authority.

Ld. advocate for the petitioner submits that the present case being English Bazar Women P.S. Case No. 259 of 2016 is pending for the last seven years and till date, there is hardly any progress in the case.

It has been brought to the notice of the court that prosecution has relied upon eight witnesses in the charge-sheet but, till date, the examination of the first witness is progressing before the Id. CJM, Malda.

Having regard to the time period which has elapsed and the manner in which the case is proceedings or progressing before the Id. Magistrate, I direct that the Id. Magistrate, henceforth, would fix on and from 18.3.2024

one date in a month so that the trial of the case can be concluded within a reasonable period of time. In case, any witness is reluctant to appear, in that case, the Id. Magistrate would communicate with the inspector in charge or the officer in charge of English Bazar P.S. who would submit a report regarding the availability of the witness concerned.

Ld. public prosecutor conducting the case would produce the materials, documents and exhibits on the next date for examination of the witnesses. All efforts be taken so that the trial of the case can be concluded at the earliest.

With the aforesaid observations, CRR 4726 of 2023 is disposed of.

Pending application, if any, is also disposed of.

Parties to act on a server copy of this order duly collected from the official website of the Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta.

Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties, subject to compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Tirthankar Ghosh, J.)