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C.R.M. (NDPS) 2111 of 2023

In Re : An application for bail under section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure in connection with Krishnaganj PS case no. 280 of 2020 dated 24.12.2020 under sections 21(C) of the NDPS Act

And

In Re : Jabbar Mondal ...petitioner

Mr. Arnab Chatterjee

..... for the petitioner

Mr. Swapan Banerjee, Id PP-in-charge

Ms. Sujata Das

..... for the State

1. Learned advocate for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody for more than three years and four out of nine charge sheeted witnesses have been examined till date. Considering the period of detention he prays for grant of bail.
2. Mr. Banerjee, learned Public Prosecutor-in-charge opposes the prayer for bail. He submits that next date fixed for evidence will commence from 2nd January 2024.
3. On going through the case diary and the facts and circumstances of the case it reveals that the contraband substance is of commercial quantity which is involved in the instant case and four out of nine charge sheeted witnesses have been examined till date and considering the fact that the next date for evidence is fixed on 2nd January 2024, we are not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner at this stage
4. Accordingly, prayer for bail is rejected.
5. Trial court is requested to conclude the trial as expeditiously as possible preferably within six months from the next date fixed for recording evidence.

(Supratim Bhattacharya, J.)

(Hiranmay Bhattacharyya, J.)