

**CIRCUIT BENCH OF CALCUTTA HIGH COURT
AT JALPAIGURI**

17.08.2023
Court No.1
Item. 48
(sg/cm)

CRM(A) 595 OF 2023

In Re: An application for Anticipatory Bail under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 filed in connection with Mekhliganj Police Station Case No. 394/2022 dated 30.11.2022 under Sections 379/411 of the Indian Penal Code read with Section 14A/14C of the Foreigners Act.

And

In the matter of: MD. HAFIS @ HAFIS MD.

.Petitioner.

Ms. Madhushri Dutta

For the Petitioner.

Mr. Aditi Shankar Chakraborty, Ld.APP
Mr. Biswarup Roy

For the State.

1. The charge is of cattle smuggling.
2. Learned counsel appearing for the prosecution informs us that warrant of arrest is pending against the petitioner.
3. There also appears to be a dispute as to the petitioner's nationality.
4. We are hence not inclined to grant prayer for anticipatory bail.
5. CRM(A) 595 of 2023 is accordingly rejected.

(PRASENJIT BISWAS,J.)

(MOUSHUMI BHATTACHARYA,J.)