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C.R.M. (DB) 264 of 2024

In Re : An application for bail under section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure in connection with Dhantala P.S. Case No. 412 of 2021 dated 31.8.2021 under sections 363/365/366B/370/34 IPC read with section 5 of the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act and section 13 of the Foreigners Act

And

In Re : Bakul Mondal

..... petitioner

Ms. P Chakraborty

..... for the petitioner

Mr. Debasish Roy, Id PP

Mr. R D Nandy

Mr. Subrato Roy

..... for the State

1. Petitioner contends he is not the principal accused. Victim has been examined. He prays for bail.
2. Learned lawyer for the State opposes the bail prayer.
3. We have considered the materials on record. Petitioner was involved in procuring victims across international border for sexual exploitation. Trial is still in progress.
4. Under such circumstances and in view of gravity of offence, we are not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner at this stage.
5. Accordingly, prayer for bail is rejected.
6. Trial court is directed to expedite the trial and conclude the same at an early date.

(Gaurang Kanth, J.)

(Joymalya Bagchi, J.)