

28.06.2024  
Item no.12.  
Court No.28.  
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**(Rejected)**

**CRM (NDPS) No. 989 of 2024**

In Re: An Application for Bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

And

**In the matter of : Md. Tajiur Rahaman @ Tajiur Rahaman.**

**.....Petitioner.**

Mr. Tapodip Gupta,  
.....for the Petitioner.  
Mrs. Sayanti Santra,  
Mr. Kunal Gangully,  
...for the State.

The petitioner says that he is in custody for 1 year 2 months. Witness action has not yet begun. It is anybody's guess as to when the trial shall conclude. He prays for bail.

Learned advocate for the State says that July 15, 2024, has been fixed as the date for commencement of witness action. She tells us that there are 15 witnesses named in the chargesheet.

In view of the commercial quantity of contraband being involved, we are not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner immediately.

CRM (NDPS) 989 of 2024 is dismissed.

However, since he is in custody for quite some time, we direct the learned trial Court to expedite the trial to the fullest and conclude the same within 1 year from the next date fixed

before it without granting any unnecessary adjournment to either of the parties.

We clarify that in the event, the trial is not concluded within the time period indicated above, the petitioner will be at liberty to renew his prayer for bail.

Let this order be communicated by the parties to the learned Trial Court.

All parties shall act in terms of server copy of the order downloaded from the official website of this Court.

**(Arijit Banerjee, J.)**

**(Apurba Sinha Ray, J.)**