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19-08-2024
(ct. no.28)
debajyoti
(rejected)

CRM (NDPS) 1062 of 2024

In re: An application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure/under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 in connection with Howrah G.R. Police Station Case No.34 of 2022 dated 26-04-2022 under Section 20(b)(ii)(c) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act.

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In the matter of : Abdul Kadir

.... Petitioner.

Mr. Partha Pratim Das,
Mr. Dev Kumar Sharma,
Mr. Monojit Chakraborti

... For the Petitioner.

Mr. Manoranjan Mahata

... For the State.

Dictated by Arijit Banerjee, J.

Let copies of the depositions of the witnesses already examined filed in Court today be kept with the records.

We are told that September 11 and 12, 2024 have been fixed as the next schedule for examining witnesses. Four witnesses remain to be examined.

In view of commercial quantity of contraband being involved, we are not inclined to allow the prayer of the petitioner for bail, although he has been in custody for quite some time. However, we direct the learned trial Court to conclude the trial at the earliest and positively, within four months from the next date for examination of witnesses.

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

The application for bail being CRM (NDPS) 1062 of 2024 is, thus, **dismissed**.

All parties shall act on the server copies of this order duly downloaded from the official *website* of this Court.

Criminal Section is directed to supply certified copies of this order to the parties, if applied for, upon compliance of all necessary formalities.

(Arijit Banerjee, J.)

(Apurba Sinha Ray, J.)