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(ct. no.29)  
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## **CRM (NDPS) 1404 of 2024**

**In re:** An application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure/483 of the Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita in connection with NCB Crime No.03/NCB/KOL/2023 under Sections 20(b)(ii)(c)/29/35/54 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act.

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**In the matter of : Santosh Sahoo @ Santosh Saho**  
.... Petitioner.

Mr. Joy Chakraborty,  
Mr. Sandip Dinda

... For the Petitioner.

Mr. Anirban Mitra,  
Mr. Somnath Adhikari

... For NCB.

**Dictated by Arijit Banerjee, J.**

1. Upon perusing the reports dated September 10, 2024 and September 30, 2024, filed on behalf of the Narcotics Control Bureau, we find that on several occasions, the matter had to be adjourned before the learned trial Court because of prayer made on behalf of the defence or non-production of accused persons. It is not the fault of the prosecution that there is some delay in progress of the trial. We find that

charge has been framed on July 22, 2024. We are told that there are six charge sheet named witnesses.

2. In view of the commercial quantity of contraband items (88 kgs. of Ganza) being involved, we are not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail, at this stage.

3. The application for bail is, thus, **dismissed**.

4. Since the petitioner is in custody for quite some time, we request the learned trial Court to expedite the trial to the extent possible and conclude the same on an early date.

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

6. 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.)**