

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

**03.07.2024
Court No.1
(D/L 12)
(Rejected)**

CRM (DB) 290 OF 2024

In Re: An application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 filed on 10.06.2024 in connection with Naxalbari Police Station Case No.206 of 2023 dated 18.09.2023 under Sections 4 of the POCSO Act, 2012 corresponding to POCSO Case No.66 of 2023.

And

In the matter of: **Sri Jayanta Barman**

... Petitioner.

Mr. Biprajit Das

...for the petitioner

Mr. Aditi Shankar Chakraborty, Ld. APP
Mr. Sagnik Sankar Sikdar

... for the State.

Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that he is in custody for over one year three months. He renews prayer for bail.

Learned counsel appearing for the State opposes the prayer for bail.

We have considered the materials-on-record including the 164 statement of the minor. Bail prayer of the petitioner was rejected earlier on merit.

Under such circumstances, we are not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner at this stage.

The application for bail is rejected.

[MD. SHABBAR RASHIDI, J.]

(RAJARSHI BHARADWAJ, J.)