

04.12.2024
SL No.38
srm/Mujahid
(Rejected)

**Calcutta High Court
In The Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri**

C.R.M. (DB) 668 of 2024

In Re: - An application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973/Section 483 of the B.N.S.S. 2023 filed on **29.11.2024** in connection with **NJP** P.S. Case No. **1252/2020** dated **19.10.2020** under Section 6 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012.

And

In the matter of: **Gopal Mandal @ Kana**

....Petitioner

Mr. Aniruddha Bisws,
Ms. K. Mishra,
Mr. Manaj Saha

...for the petitioner

Mr. Tapan Bhattacharjee,
Mr. Sanjiv Das

...for the State

The petitioner prays for bail on the ground of prolonged incarceration. He is in custody for four years. There is no chance of early conclusion of trial.

The de facto complainant is present before the Court.

Learned Advocate for the State opposes the prayer for bail on the ground that the serious allegations have been levelled against the petitioner.

Considering the materials on record, the statement of the victim recorded under Section 164, Cr.P.C., the nature of the allegation levelled against the petitioner and the age of the victim, we are not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

Accordingly, the prayer for bail is rejected.

The learned trial court is requested to expedite the trial.
The prosecution is directed to cooperate with the trial and
produces the witnesses accordingly.

(Partha Sarathi Chatterjee, J.)

(Shampa Sarkar, J.)