

CRM (M) 564 of 2025

In Re : An Application for bail under Section 483 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 filed in connection with **Ranaghat
GRPS** Case No. **09** of **2021** dated **27/6/2021** under Sections
302/120B of the Indian Penal Code.

And

In Re : Somnath Misra @ Chhotu @ Mishra

... Petitioner.

Adv. Jaydeep Biswas,
Adv. Sumanta Das,
Adv. Avilash Tripathi

... for the petitioner.

Adv. Arijit Ganguly,
Adv. Manasi Roy,

...for the State.

The petitioner is in custody for more than one year.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the evidence
of two eye witnesses to the alleged incident is contradictory. There
is no other eye witness to the incident. Only nine out of twenty-five
witnesses have been examined. The petitioner prays for bail.

Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer.

I have considered the material on record.

The petitioner absconded for about three years before he was
arrested. Nine out of twenty-five witnesses have been examined. The
quality of evidence of the witnesses shall be assessed at the
appropriate stage of trial.

Considering the material on record, gravity of the offence and
prima facie involvement of the petitioner therein, prayer for bail is
rejected at this stage.

The learned trial Court is directed to expedite the trial without
granting any unnecessary adjournment to either of the parties.

The application for bail is disposed of.

Case Diary be returned.

Urgent certified website copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties upon compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)