

HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CRIMINAL REVISIONAL JURISDICTION

Present:

THE HON'BLE JUSTICE JAY SENGUPTA

CRR 2684 of 2025

Biswajit Pradhan and others

versus

The State of West Bengal

For the Petitioners

Mr. Yashraj Roy
Ms. Sangeeta Singh
Ms. Jahanara Begam

For the State

Mr. Arindam Sen
Mr. Dipankar Mahata

Last heard on

26.08.2025

Judgment on

26.08.2025

JAY SENGUPTA, J:

This is an application seeking for an expeditious disposal of GR Case No.30/2016 arising out of Egra Police Station Case No.12 of 2016 dated 07.01.2016 under Sections 341/323/354/379/506/34 of the Indian Penal Code presently

pending before the learned Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class (1st Court) at Contai, Purba Medinipur.

Affidavit of service filed in Court is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the FIR in this case was registered on 07.01.2016 although the charge-sheet dated 22.05.2016 was submitted before the learned trial court on 28.03.2018. Charges were framed on 03.03.2022. Till date not a single witness out of a total of 13 witnesses could be examined. The prosecution case is pending for no fault of the petitioners.

Learned counsel for the State submits that the State would not come in the way if a direction is passed to expedite the proceedings.

No prejudice will be caused to anyone if a direction is passed to conclude the trial expeditiously.

It appears that there has been an inordinate delay in conducting the impugned proceeding. First, there was delay in filing the charge-sheet. The charges were framed in the earlier part of 2022. Yet, till date not a single witness could be examined.

In such special circumstances, the learned trial court is requested to conclude the proceeding in accordance with law

and as expeditiously as possible without granting any unnecessary adjournment to the parties, preferably within a period of 18 months from the date of communication of this order.

With these directions and observations, the revisional application is disposed of.

Urgent photostat certified copy of this order may be supplied to the parties expeditiously, if applied for.

(Jay Sengupta, J.)

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