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CRM (M) 1325 of 2025

In re : An Application for **Bail** under Section **439** of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973/under Section 483 of the BNSS, 2023 in connection with **Spl. CBI Case No. 01 of 2025 (Old Case No. 08 of 2024)** arising out of **CBI/ACB/Kolkata Case No. RC0102022A0006** (corresponding to R.C. Case No. 06 of 2022) dated **09.06.2022** under **Sections 120B/420/467/468/471/34** of the IPC and read with **Sections 7/7A & 8** of the Prevention of Corruption Act read with **Section 66-C** of the of the Information Technology Act, 2000.

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In the matter of : Santu Ganguly

... .. Petitioner(s)

Mr. Mritunjoy Chatterjee
Mr. M. S. Khan
Mr. Arindam Poali

... for the Petitioner(s)

Mr. Dhiraj Trivedi, ld. DSGI
Mr. Amajit De, Spl. PP, CBI
Mr. Arijit Majumdar

... for the CBI

Learned advocate for the petitioner submits that majority of the accused persons have been granted bail in connection with the present case and the present petitioner is in custody from November, 2024.

Mr. Trivedi, learned DSGI, submits that the case is at the advanced stage before the learned trial court.

According to the prosecution, the accused persons have been supplied copies of the documents so far as the charge-sheet(s) are concerned. However, so far as the last charge-sheet which has been submitted, documents are yet to be supplied.

Having considered that the petitioner is in custody for a substantial period of time and similarly placed accused persons have been granted bail, I am of opinion that further custodial detention of the present petitioner is unwarranted.

Hence, the prayer for bail of the petitioner is **Allowed.**

Accordingly, the petitioner viz, Santu Ganguly shall be released on bail upon furnishing bond of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only), with two sureties of Rs.2,50,000/- (Rupees Two lakh Fifty Thousand only) each, one of whom must be local, to the satisfaction of the learned trial court subject to the following conditions:

- i) The petitioner shall surrender his passport with the learned Trial Court at once;
- ii) He shall not leave the territorial jurisdiction of the learned Trial Court without leave of the Court;
- iii) He shall appear before the learned Trial Court on every date of hearing fixed by the learned Court;
- iv) he shall not tamper with evidence or intimidate witnesses in any manner whatsoever;
- v) He shall not indulge in any criminal activity and shall not communicate with or come in contact with the witnesses;

- vi) He shall provide his mobile phone number before the learned Trial Court and the investigating agency and shall not change the same without prior intimation to them;
- vii) He shall meet the investigating officer once a week until further orders and cooperate in investigation;
- viii) He shall not be appointed to any public office (except that he is continuing to be a member of the West Bengal Legislative Assembly) during pendency of investigation and trial.

In case, there is any violation of the aforesaid conditions, the trial court would be at liberty to cancel the bail without further reference to this court.

Accordingly, CRM(M) 1325 of 2025 is **allowed**.

Pending application(s), if any, is also disposed of.

Parties to act on a server copy of this order duly collected from the official website of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta.

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

(Tirthankar Ghosh, J.)

