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CRM (A) 3716 of 2025

In Re:- An application for anticipatory bail under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 corresponding to Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in connection with Malipanchghara PS Case No.285 dated 19.10.2025 under Sections 135/138 of the Electricity Act, 2003.

And

In the matter of: Rama Paul & Anr.

... petitioners

Mr. Indranil Halder,
Ms. Neha Singh.
...for the petitioners.

Ms. Sreyashee Biswas
...for the CESC Ltd.

Mr. Bidyut Kumar Roy,
Mr. Tirthankar Dhali.
...for the State.

Heard the learned counsels appearing on behalf of the petitioners, the State and the CESC Ltd.

Considering the fact that, without prejudice, the petitioners have paid 50% of the finally assessed amount to the Electricity Authorities and considering the materials available in the case diary, I do not think that custodial interrogation of the petitioners is required in this case and I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the present petitioners.

Accordingly, in the event of arrest, the petitioners shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bond of Rs.10,000/- each with two sureties of like amount each, one of whom must be local, to the satisfaction of Arresting Officer and subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure,

corresponding to Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and on further condition that the petitioners shall cooperate with the investigation and shall not threaten or intimidate witnesses or tamper with evidence in any manner whatsoever and the petitioners shall meet the Investigating Officer as and when required.

The application for anticipatory bail is, thus, disposed of.

Urgent photostat certified copies of this order may be delivered to the learned Advocates for the parties, if applied for, upon compliance of all formalities.

(Jay Sengupta, J.)