

CRR 433 of 2026

**Bijoy Kumar Chowdhury @ Bijay Chowdhury
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Anr.**

Mr. Sourav Mondal,
Mr. Arijit Bhuiya,
Mr.l Rony Mondal,
Mr. Debrghyo Sil.

...for the petitioner

The petitioner herein has made an alternative prayer for expedite hearing of the proceeding being POCSO Case No. 05 of 2022 presently pending before the learned Special Judge under POCSO Act, Raghunathpur, Purulia.

Being aggrieved by the aforesaid proceeding, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in the instant case, FIR was lodged on 19.03.2022 and charge sheet was filed after completion of investigation on 21st April, 2022. Thereafter, the charge was framed on 30th September, 2023 and since then, only three witnesses have been examined so far out of nineteen witnesses.

He further submits that the petitioner is a legal practitioner and he is suffering a lot due to a long pendency of the proceeding. In fact, this case was adjourned time and again before the Court below as no prosecution witness was present on the dates fixed by the Court below.

Accordingly, he prayed for a direction upon the Court below for expeditious disposal of the proceeding.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner it appears that the prayer made by the petitioner is innocuous and if it is disposed of in terms of the prayer made in the petition, the opposite party/State will have no cause to prejudice. As such, service of copy of application upon the opposite parties are hereby dispensed with.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and that the prayer made by the petitioner is justified in terms of the long pendency of the trial, the instant application being CRR No. 433 of 2026 is hereby disposed of, with a direction upon the Court below to make expeditious trial of the proceeding and to make best endeavour to conclude the trial preferably within a period of six months from the next date of hearing without granting any unnecessary adjournment to either of the parties.

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

(Dr. Ajoy Kumar Mukherjee, J.)