

07.04.2026
Court No.35.
D/L.50.
Rakib
(Allowed)

CRM (M) 359 of 2026

In Re: An Application for Bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973/Under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in connection with Bhadreswar Police Station case no. 462 of 2024 dated 23.11.2024 under Sections 318(4)/336(2)/336(3)/340(2)/61(2) added Sections 316(2)/338 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 read with Section 12(1) (b) of the Passport Act, 1967 read with Sections 34/35/52 of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Section 23 of the Registration of Birth and Deaths Act, 1969.

And

In the matter of : Abhijit Halder.

.....Petitioner.

Mr. Ankit Agarwala
Ms. Alotriya Mukherjee

.....for the Petitioner.

Ms. Shaila Afrin
Ms. Suparna Chatterjee

.....for the State.

Learned advocate appearing for the petitioner submits that petitioner is in custody since 25th of June, 2025, charge-sheet has already been submitted, charges have already been framed and the prosecution intends to examine 32 witnesses in support of its case. As such, the petitioner may be granted bail.

Learned advocate for the State on the other hand opposes the prayer for bail and submits that the allegations against the petitioner is that he along with others supplied huge amount of money for obtaining international passport based on fake documents.

Having considered that the present case is based on documents and the same are in custody of the prosecution and the petitioner is in custody for more than nine months, along with the

fact that there is no possibility of the trial concluding very soon as 32 witnesses have been proposed to be examined by the prosecution. Without entering into the merits of the case, I am inclined to release the petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the prayer for bail of the petitioner is **allowed**.

As such, petitioner namely, **Abhijit Halder** shall be released on bail upon furnishing bond of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only), with two sureties of Rs. 10,000 (Rupees Ten Thousand only) each, one of whom must be local to the satisfaction of the learned 1st Additional District and Sessions Judge, Hooghly.

If on bail, the petitioner shall be physically present before the learned trial Court on each and every date and shall not leave the jurisdiction of District of Hooghly without the prior permission of the learned trial Court.

Accordingly, CRM (M) 359 of 2026 is **allowed**.

All parties shall act in terms of server copy of the order downloaded from the official website of this Court.

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

(Tirthankar Ghosh, J.)