

27.03.2026

Item No.37

Ct.No.35

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Allowed

**IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS JURISDICTION**

C.R.M. (M) 340 of 2026

In Re : An Application for bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 corresponding to Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 filed in connection with Pragati Maidan Police Station Case No. 122 of 2020 dated 07.07.2020 under Section 376(2)(i) of the Indian Penal Code and Section 6 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012.

And

In Re : **Sukhdev Rout**

... Petitioner.

Mr. Sandip Chakraborty,
Mr. Sandip Kundu

... For the State.

None appears for the petitioner.

Records of the case reflect that petitioner is in custody for 5 years 7 months. Records further reflect that out of 20 witnesses cited in the charge-sheet, only three witnesses have been examined till date.

Learned advocate appearing for the State opposes the prayer for bail and produces the report in respect of service upon the *de facto* complainant. Let the said report be kept with the record.

Having considered the period of detention of the present petitioner and the fact that there is no possibility of the trial concluding in near future, I am inclined to release the petitioner on bail. As such, the prayer for bail of the petitioner is **allowed**.

Accordingly, the petitioner viz., **Sukhdev Rout** shall be released on bail upon furnishing bond of Rs.20,000/-, with

two sureties of Rs.10,000/- each, one of whom must be local, to the satisfaction of the learned Judge, Special Court under POCSO Act-cum-Additional Sessions Judge, 2nd Court, Alipore.

If on bail, the petitioner shall be physically present on each and every date so fixed by the learned Trial Court and shall not leave the jurisdiction of the districts of Kolkata and South 24-Parganas without prior permission of the learned Trial Court.

The application for bail, being CRM (M) 340 of 2026, is, thus, disposed of.

All concerned parties shall act on the server copy of this order duly 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.)