

13.05.2026
Court No.35.
D/L.12.
Rakib
(Rejected)

CRM (NDPS) 304 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 NDPS Case no. 14 of 2023 arising out of NCB Crime No. 14/NCB/KOL/2023 dated 04.10.2023 under Sections 8(c)/21(c)/22(c)/29 of the NDPS Act.

And

In the matter of : Manoj Kumar.

.....Petitioner.

Mr. Apalak Basu
Mr. Nazir Ahmed
Ms. Sanghamitra Mridha

.....for the Petitioner.

Mr. Arun Kumar Maity
Mr. Sagar Saha

.....for the Union of India.

Learned advocate appearing for the petitioner submits that petitioner is in custody for more than three years and the earlier directions of this Court did not yield any result and the petitioner is unnecessarily languishing in custody.

Mr. Arun Kumar Maity and Mr. Sagar Saha, learned advocates appear for the Union of India/NCB.

Learned advocate appearing for the NCB submits that the examination-of-chief of the last witness has already been completed and the cross-examination has commenced.

Having considered the fact that cross-examination of the last witness has already commenced, at this stage, I am not inclined to release the petitioner on bail.

However, the learned trial Court is directed to ensure that the cross-examination is completed by 20th of June, 2026. Learned

trial Court thereafter will complete the procedure involved and put in efforts so that by August, 2026 the Court is in a position to pronounce the verdict.

Accordingly, the CRM (NDPS) 304 of 2026 is **dismissed**.

Report submitted by the State be kept with the record.

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.)