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Serial no. 314
[G.S.D]

CRM (NDPS) 628 of 2026

In re : An Application for Bail under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973/under Section 483 of the BNSS, 2023 in connection with Raniganj PS Case No. 293 of 2022 dated 20.05.2022 u/s 20(b)(ii)(C)/25/29 of the NDPS Act, 1985 corresponding to NDPS Case No. 14 of 2022.

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In the matter of : Manoj Prasad

... Petitioner(s)

Mr. Moyukh Mukherjee
Mr. Kunal Ganguly
Mr. Arunava Ganguly
Ms. Sarmistha Basak

... for the Petitioner(s)

Mr. Sandip Chakraborty
Mr. Karan Bapuli

... for the State-respondent(s)

Learned advocate for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody for two years twenty days and till date witness action has not commenced although charges have been framed in the year 2023.

Learned advocate, on the other hand, opposes the prayer for bail and submits that the petitioner after being granted anticipatory bail fled away from the process of law for about one year seven months resulting in cancellation of his interim bail. Thereafter, the petitioner surrendered and prays for bail.

Be that as it may, it has been pointed out that the petitioner approached the Hon’ble Supreme Court praying

for bail which has been refused in the month of December, 2025.

Considering the events which have been followed in close proximity of time, I direct the learned trial court to complete the seizure list witnesses within a period of 60 days after the evidence of P.W.1 is over.

Having considered the stage of the case, I am not inclined to enlarge the petitioner on bail.

Hence, the prayer for bail of the petitioner is **Rejected.**

The petitioner would approach this court after the evidence of the seizure list witnesses is over.

Accordingly, CRM (NDPS) 628 of 2026 is **dismissed.**

Parties to act on a server copy of this order duly collected from the official website of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta.

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

(Tirthankar Ghosh, J.)

