30.10.2026
Sl. no. 4
Ct. No. 8
tbsr/MD
(Vacation Bench)
(Allowed)

C.R.M. (M) 2219 OF 2026

In Re : An application for bail under Section 483 of the Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in connection with Tala Police Station Case No.62 of 2024 dated 19.08.2024 under Sections 120B/420 of IPC, 1860 and Section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and adding Sections 409/467 of IPC, 1860 read with Section 13(1) (a) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988;

And

In the matter of : **Suman Hazra**

.... Petitioner

Mr. Sabyasachi Banerjee, Sr. Adv.
Ms. Nahid Ahmed, Adv.
Mr. Abhra Jena, Adv.

.... For the petitioner

Mr. Amajit De, Special PP, CBI

... for CBI

Petitioner is in custody in connection with the instant case for about 788 days.

Learned advocate for the petitioner emphasizes on the fact that another accused, namely Sandip Ghosh, has been granted bail in SLP (C.R.L) No. 16465 of 2026. A copy of the said order has been handed over to this Court. I find that the emphasis in the said order was on the period of incarceration of the petitioner therein, which was more than two years along with the issue that out of 147 witness proposed to be examined only 7 witnesses has been examined.

Learned Special Public Prosecutor appearing for the CBI submits that eight witnesses have been examined in

connection with this case and he has instructions that the order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court would be challenged.

Be that as it may, the petitioner is in custody for more than two years. There is no possibility of the trial being taken to its logical conclusion very soon.

Having considered that the documents are in the custody of the CBI, the prosecuting agency and that the only apprehension expressed by the prosecution case is that vulnerable witnesses are yet to be completed, I am of the opinion that on stringent conditions petitioner may be granted bail.

Accordingly, the petitioner viz., **Suman Hazra** 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 Special Judge, CBI Court No. 2, Alipore or any Court in charge of the said Court.

If on bail, the petitioner shall be physically present on each and every date before the learned Trial Court and shall not leave the jurisdiction of KMDA and District Howrah.

As prayed for by the prosecution, the petitioner will deposit his passport with the learned Trial Court prior to his release.

Accordingly, CRM(M) 2219 of 2026 is allowed.

Report submitted by the CBI be kept with the record.

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.)