

30.01.2026

Item No. M/L.329

Ct.No.35

dc.

Rejected

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

C.R.M. (M) 2376 of 2025

In Re : An Application for bail under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 filed in connection with Goaltore Police Station Case No. 221 of 2024 dated 16.12.2024 under Section 65(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 read with Sections 6/8/10 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012.

And

In Re : **Madhusudan Patra**

... Petitioner.

Mr. Arnab Chatterjee,
Mr. Dipankar Guha,
Mr. Avik Ghosh

... For the Petitioner.

Ms. Sonali Das,
Mr. Santanu Talukdar

... For the State.

Mr. Amit Ranjan Pati

... For the *de facto* complainant.

Learned advocate appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody for about 13 months and is the Headmaster of a school who has been falsely implicated in connection with the instant case.

Learned advocate appearing for the *de facto* complainant opposes the prayer for bail and submits that the victim is aged about 9 years.

Learned advocate appearing for the State has drawn the attention of the Court to the statement of the victim as well as medico-legal examination.

The prosecution intends to examine 12 more witnesses as is reflected from the report submitted by the concerned

police officer. Having regard to the totality of the circumstances, I direct that by 30th June, 2026, examination of 12 witnesses be completed by the prosecution.

Having regard to the stage of the case, I am not inclined to release the petitioner on bail. As such, the prayer for bail of the petitioner is **rejected**.

Learned advocate appearing for the State is directed to communicate this order to the learned Trial Court through the Investigating Officer of the case so that on the next date the directions passed by this Court be placed before the learned Trial Court.

Learned Trial Court, accordingly, would fix the schedule. No unnecessary adjournment be granted to any of the parties and the examination of the witnesses would continue in spite of any resolution of the local Bar.

Report submitted by the learned advocate appearing for the State be kept with the record.

The application for bail, being CRM (M) 2376 of 2025, 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.)