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CRM (M) 2492 of 2025

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 Sessions Case No. 302 of 2023 arising out of Galsi Police Station Case No. 380 of 2023 dated 24.06.2023 u/s 379/411/414/426/431/120B IPC, 15(2)/15(4)/16 of the Petroleum and Mineral 1962 read with amendment 2011, 3/4 of Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act, Sec. 8(3), W.B. Maintenance Act & 9 of the P. O.Act.

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In the matter of : Krunal Girish Bhai Patel

... Petitioner(s)

Mr. Milon Mukherjee, Sr Adv.
Mr. Moyukh Mukherjee
Ms. Sagnika Banerjee

... for the Petitioner(s)

Mr. Rudradipta Nandy, Id. APP
Ms. Nahid Ahmed

... for the State-respondent(s)

Ms. Sharmistha Ghosh
Mr. Amit Ghosh

... for the IOCL

Mr. Mukherjee, learned Senior Advocate, appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 18th June, 2025 and has been implicated in the Supplementary Charge-sheet. It has also been submitted that the petitioner was supplier of the tankers through which allegedly pilfered oil was removed.

Learned Advocate for the State, on the other hand, opposes the prayer for bail and submits that there was a lease agreement in respect of the land through which

pilferage took place. Learned advocate also states that the petitioner is a resident of Gujarat.

I have taken into account the accusations so far as the present petitioner is concerned and the evidence which has been collected. The evidence against the present petitioner, even if accepted to be true, he cannot be considered to be the main beneficiary of the acts and activities which is being carried out.

Further, I find that the learned Judicial Magistrate who recorded the statement of the present petitioner has not been made a witness in the charge-sheet.

Additionally, it has been submitted that, on the one hand, the investigation of the case is still proceeding and the trial of the case is continuing on the other hand.

Having considered the submissions advanced by the State, I am of the view that further incarceration of the present petitioner is unwarranted.

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

Accordingly, the petitioner viz, **Krunal Girish Bhai Patel** shall be released on bail upon furnishing bond of Rs.20,000/-(Rupees Twenty Thousand only), with two sureties of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) each, one of whom must be local, to the satisfaction of the CJM, Purba Bardhaman.

If on bail, the petitioner shall also make himself physically available on each and every date so fixed by the learned trial court and shall not leave the district of Purba Bardhaman without prior intimation to the learned trial court.

Accordingly, CRM(M) 2492 of 2025 is **allowed**.

Pending application(s), if any, is also disposed of.

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.)