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**IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CIRCUIT BENCH AT JALPAIGURI
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS JURISDICTION**

CRM (A) 7 of 2026

In Re : An Application for anticipatory bail under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in connection with Women P.S. Jalpaiguri Case No. 219 of 2025 dated 09.12.2025 under Section 8 of POCSO Act.

And

In Re : **Gulzar @ Guljar Ali**

... Petitioner

Mr. Jaydeep Kanta Bhowmik
Ms. Debi Sarkar
Mr. Shubham Kumar
Ms. Priti Das

... for the Petitioner

Mr. Nilay Chakraborty
Ms. Sukanya Adhikary

... for the State

Heard learned counsels for the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated due to a dispute with the victim's father with regard to repayment of loan taken by him from the petitioner. Learned counsel submits that the minor girl has been used to wreck vengeance against the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer.

I have considered the material on record.

It prima facie appears that the victim's father worked as a labour under the petitioner. The victim has refused medical examination.

Considering the material on record and extent of complicity of the petitioner in the alleged offence, this Court is of the view that the petitioner may be granted anticipatory bail subject to stringent conditions since his custodial interrogation may not be required.

Prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner is allowed.

Accordingly this Court directs, in the event of arrest, the petitioner namely Gulzar @ Guljar Ali be released on bail on furnishing bond of Rs.10,000/-(Rupees Ten Thousand only), with two sureties of like amount each, to the satisfaction of the arresting officer and subject to provision under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 and subject to conditions that the petitioner shall remain outside the jurisdiction of Kotwali police station and shall furnish the address where he shall presently reside before the investigating officer and the concerned officer in charge of the police station under whose jurisdiction he shall henceforth reside and shall meet the Investigating Officer once a week till submission of charge sheet. The petitioner shall appear before the jurisdictional Court and pray for regular bail within two weeks from date.

CRM (A) 7 of 2026 is, thus, disposed of.

Case Diary be returned.

All parties shall act on the server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official website of this Court.

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

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)