

ITEM NO.33 Court 3 (Video Conferencing) SECTION II-B

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
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Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (CrI.) No(s). 4203/2021

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 31-05-2021
in CRM No. 2490/2021 passed by the High Court at Calcutta)

PARAG JYOTI SAIKIA @ PARTHO Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF WEST BENGAL Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and I.R. and IA No.67505/2021-EXEMPTION FROM FILING
C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT and IA No.67500/2021-EXEMPTION FROM
FILING O.T.)

Date : 29-06-2021 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE UDAY UMESH LALIT
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE INDIRA BANERJEE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY RASTOGI

For Petitioner(s) Mr. KTS Tulsi Sr Adv
 Mr. Raj Kamal, AOR
 Mr. Aseem Atwal Adv
 Mr. Kartavya Batra Adv.

For Respondent(s)

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

Mr. K.T.S. Tulsi, learned Senior Advocate for the
petitioner relied upon the order dated 25.02.2020 passed by this
Court in SLP(CrI.) No.5439 of 2019 whereunder the trial Court was
directed to conclude the trial as early as possible and preferably
within 9 months from the date of the order.

The said order passed on 25.02.2020 whereafter the entire
country was affected by COVID-19 pandemic paralysing all activities
including discharge of judicial work.

In the circumstances, we see no merit in the instant petition. However, considering the length of custody undergone by the petitioner and the fact that the first prosecution witness was partly examined by the trial Court, we direct the trial Court to do well to conclude the proceedings as early as possible.

Let a copy of this order be immediately sent to the concerned trial Court.

With the aforesaid alterations, the special leave petition is disposed of.

Pending application also stand disposed of.

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COURT MASTER (SH)

(VIRENDER SINGH)
BRANCH OFFICER