

petitioner that 17 out of 25 witnesses have been examined and he is entitled for bail as he has already been in jail for nearly two years.

Learned Additional Advocate General appearing for the State of Chhattisgarh took us through the orders passed earlier rejecting the bail application of the petitioner and submitted that there is abundant material pointing to the guilt of the petitioner and it would be advisable that no bail be granted to the petitioner, at this stage.

As 17 out of 25 witnesses have already been examined, we direct the trial Court to complete the trial by examining the other witnesses within a period of three months from today. The petitioner is given liberty to renew his application for bail after completion of the recording of the testimonies of all the witnesses.

In case, the trial is not concluded during that period, the petitioner is at liberty to renew his application for bail.

The special leave petition stands disposed of accordingly. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(B.Parvathi)
Court Master

(Beena Jolly)
Court Master