

ITEM NO.17 Court 5 (Video Conferencing) SECTION II-A

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Cr1.) No(s).269/2020

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 26-06-2019 in MCRC No. 17442/2019 passed by the High Court of M.P. at Indore)

MOHAMMAD IRFAN

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF MADHYA PRADESH

Respondent(s)

(WITH IA No. 194828/2019 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No. 194827/2019 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 17-11-2020 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE D.Y. CHANDRACHUD
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For Respondent(s)

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

- 1 The petitioner has been denied bail by the order of the High Court in a proceeding arising out of Miscellaneous Criminal Case No 17442 of 2019 under the provisions of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act 1985.
- 2 After notice was issued by this Court on 6 January 2020, a counter affidavit has been filed by the State of Madhya Pradesh indicating that the trial has substantially progressed and as many as eleven witnesses, out of twelve

witnesses, have been examined. We, therefore, find that steps have been taken by the Special Judge, NDPS Act, to expedite the hearing having regard to the previous order of this Court dated 15 September 2017 .

- 3 Since the trial has substantially progressed, we are not inclined to accede to the prayer for the grant of bail. The Special Leave Petition is accordingly dismissed.
- 4 However, we request the Special Judge to expedite the disposal, preferably within a period of four months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.
- 5 Pending application, if any, stands disposed of.

(SANJAY KUMAR-I)
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COURT MASTER