

ML Case no. 04 of 2025
CNR-WBCS01-000251-2025
Present: Sri Sukumar Ray
J.O. CODE NO.WB00590
Chief Judge,
City Sessions Court, Calcutta

Order no. 29 dated 19.01.2026

1. Today is fixed for production of the accused persons and hearing of the bail application dated 15.01.2026 filed on behalf of the accused Indubhushan Halder and written objection, if any, in the meantime.
2. Accused persons, namely, Ajad Mallik @ Adammed Hossain Azad @ Azad Hussain and Idubhushan Halder, are produced before this court today from the J/C through audio-video electronic means.
3. Ld. Special Public Prosecutor for the Enforcement Directorate is present today.
4. Ld. Advocate for the accused Indubhushan Halder is present.
5. Ld. Legal Aid Defence Counsel for the accused Ajad Mallik @ Adammed Hossain Azad @ Azad Hussain is present.
6. One petition has been filed on behalf of the accused Ajad Mallik @ Adammed Hossain Azad @ Azad Hussain has been filed praying for granting necessary permission to visit Jail to obtain necessary signature of the accused on the vakalatnama.
7. Heard. Considered. The prayer is allowed for ends of justice.
8. The Superintendent, Presidency Correctional Home is directed to act within the ambit and scope of Jail Code in this regard.
9. Now, the record is taken up for hearing of the bail application dated 15.01.2026 filed on behalf of the accused Indubhushan Halder.
10. The bail petition is moved.
11. Ld. Advocate for accused person Indubhushan Halder has prayed for bail on the following grounds that -
 - (a) he is in custody for a prolonged period;
 - (b) all the allegations against him are all false and frivolous;
 - (c) he has been falsely implicated in this case;
 - (d) he has a fixed place of residence and there is no chance of his abscondence;
 - (e) he is willing to cooperate with the investigation;
 - (f) he is senior citizen with fragile health condition and suffering from emphysematous fibroectatic and
 - (g) he has no criminal antecedents.
12. Ld. Advocates for the accused further submits that this accused suffers from emphysematous fibroectatic disease, a chronic condition requiring specialized and uninterrupted clinical care and his ailment necessitates an annual trip to Chennai for a regimen of fixed medication, comprehensive diagnostics, and specialized check-ups but, however, his prolonged incarceration has prevented him from adhering to the essential treatment scheduled for the year 2025 and as a direct consequence of this disruption, his physical health has severely deteriorated, rendering

continued detention a risk to his well-being. So, he prays for bail of the accused on any condition, the Court may deem fit and proper.

13. Ld. Special Public Prosecutor for the Enforcement Directorate opposes the bail prayer of the accused person.
14. I have carefully perused the complaint and the materials appearing in the case record.
15. On careful perusal of the record, it appears that the ECIR being no. ECIR/KLZO-II/06/2025 has been lodged in this case on 27.03.2025 and prosecution complaint against this accused was filed on 11.12.2025 and he was arrested on 13.10.2025.
16. Upon a careful and meticulous perusal of the case record, it prima facie appears that the accused/petitioner played a pivotal and active role in facilitating the prime accused by procuring fake and forged identities from various foreign countries that is an activity posed a severe and direct threat to national security through potential unauthorized cross-border activities and infiltration risks. Furthermore, he orchestrated the issuance of Indian passports to several Bangladeshi nationals by systematically using forged and fabricated documents in exchange for substantial monetary payments, thereby bypassing essential verification processes. In addition, the accused/petitioner is directly involved in manufacturing these passports on the basis of spurious documentation and in the handling, processing, and related activities connected to the proceeds of this crime, which are estimated to amount to between Rs. 1.5 crore and Rs. 2 crore, underscoring the extensive scale and financial motivations behind the entire operation.
17. The offence of money laundering is a very serious offence which is committed by an individual with a deliberate desire and the motive to enhance his gains, disregarding the interest of the nation and the society as a whole, and such offence by no stretch of imagination can be regarded as an offence of trivial nature. The stringent provisions have been made in the Act to combat the menace of money laundering. There is no material available, on record, which goes to suggest that there is reasonable grounds for believing that the accused/petitioner was not guilty of alleged offence under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act. Moreover, smell of involvement of a racket to commit a crime of present description in a methodic manner pops up from the materials on record.
18. Furthermore, the medical documents annexed with the bail application do not satisfy the conscience of this court to enlarge the accused person on bail on medical ground and it is well settled that mere assertion of illness or desire for better medical treatment cannot be a ground for granting bail especially in cases involving grave and serious offences, like in our case in hand, particularly when there is no evidence of any deliberate neglect of medical care by Correctional Home Authorities.
19. In the light of above observations, I am not inclined to allow the prayer for bail of the accused Indubhushan Halder.
20. Hence, the bail prayer of the accused Indubhushan Halder stands **rejected**.
21. However, if situation demands, the Superintendent, Presidency Correctional Home, Alipore, Kolkata is directed to –
 - (a) get the accused Indubhushan Halder examined by a team of doctors of SSKM Hospital, having five or more, comprising of the Professor and Head, Pulmonology Department,

Professor and Head of General Medicine and sufficient numbers of other specially skilled doctors, if required;

(b) get an opinion of the said team of doctors, in details, as to the physical condition of the accused Indubhushan Halder; and

(c) submit the report of the team of doctors before this Court on the date fixed, positively.

22. A copy of this order be forwarded to the Dr. Manimoy Bandopadhyay, Director, Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education & Research, SSKM Hospital for information with a request to take necessary action to achieve the purpose, as specified above.

23. Another copy of this order be also forwarded to the Superintendent, Presidency Correctional Home, Alipore, Kolkata for compliance.

24. Another copy of this order be handed over to the Investigating Officer of this case through Ld. Special Public Prosecutor for information.

25. Fix **02.02.2026** for production of the accused persons.

26. Accused persons be remanded to J/C till 02.02.2026.

Dictated & corrected by me,

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