

NIA Case No. 08 of 2023
CNR-WBCS01-000546-2023
Present: Sri Sukumar Ray
Chief Judge, City Sessions Court, Calcutta
J.O. CODE NO.WB00590.

Order No. 09 dated 13.08.2025

1. Today is fixed for hearing of the bail application dated 31.07.2025 filed on behalf of the accused person, namely, Panchanan Ghorai.
2. Ld. Advocate for the accused person is present.
3. Ld. Special Public Prosecutor for NIA, Kolkata is present.
4. Now, the bail application dated 31.07.2025 filed on behalf of the accused person, namely, Panchanan Ghorai is taken up for hearing.
5. Ld. Advocate for the accused/petitioner submits that this accused/petitioner is in custody for a considerable period of time. He further submits that he was previously on bail but due to flood in his locality, the accused/petitioner could not appear before this Court for which warrant of arrest was issued against him. So, he prays for mercy of this Court.
6. Ld. Special Public Prosecutor for the National Investigation Agency opposes the bail prayer of this accused/petitioner on the ground that the trial of this case is in progress.
7. I have carefully perused the materials appearing in the case record.
8. On scrutiny of the record, it appears that previously this accused/petitioner was enlarged on bail and thereafter he was absent and accordingly warrant of arrest was issued against him vide order no. 46 dated 03.10.2024.
9. On further scrutiny of the record, it appears that this accused/petitioner is in custody since 01.02.2025.
10. It also appears from the record that the accused/petitioner has misused the privileged of bail granted by this Court.
11. It also appears from the record that there are 78 witnesses and till date only one witness has been examined in this case. So, there is no chance of early conclusion of trial.
12. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the period of detention particularly when there is no immediate chance of conclusion of trial, I am inclined to allow the prayer for bail of the accused/petitioner, namely, Panchanan Ghorai.
13. Accordingly, the prayer for bail of this accused/petitioner stands **allowed**.
14. The accused/petitioner, namely, **Panchanan Ghorai**, be released on bail upon furnishing a bond of Rs. **10,000/-** with **two sureties** of like amount each (**one of whom must be local**), to the satisfaction of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Calcutta subject to the following conditions:
 - (i) the accused/petitioner shall not enter the jurisdictional limits of concerned District in which the police case was registered;
 - (ii) the accused/petitioner shall appear before this court on each and every date of hearing;

(iii) the accused/petitioner shall furnish his address where he will reside presently to the Investigating Officer as well as to this Court.

(iv) the accused/petitioner shall not intimidate, influence the witnesses and tamper with evidence in any manner whatsoever and

(v) the accused/petitioner shall provide phone numbers to the Investigating Officer as well as to this this court.

15. This order shall remain in force till **02.09.2025**.

16. To date i.e. on **19.08.2025** for appearance of this accused person **Panchanan Ghorai**, if on bail.

17. Let a copy of this order to the Ld. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Calcutta for information.

18. Let a copy of the order be also sent to the Investigating Officer through Ld. Special Public Prosecutor for the National Investigation Agency for information.

D/C. by me

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