

NIA SPECIAL CASE NO.08 OF 2023
(CNR - WBCS01-000546-2023)
Present: Sri Soumendranath Das
Chief Judge, City Sessions Court, Calcutta.
Cum Special Judge, Under NIA Act
City Sessions Court, Calcutta
J.O. CODE NO.WB01132

Order no. 14 dated 13.03.2024

Put up petition along with a separate petition has been filed on behalf of the prosecution/NIA praying for declaring witnesses as Protected Witness nos. "A", "B", "C", "D", "E", "F" and "G".

Put up petition is considered and allowed.

Let the case record be put up before this Court at once.

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Later:

The case record is placed before this Court.

By filing a separate petition along with seven sealed envelopes, Ld. Special P.P. of NIA submits that During investigation the CIO interrogated few independent witnesses and they have revealed some incriminating materials related to the instant crimes, but they have shown some serious concern regarding the threat to their life and their family member's life as there is a big nexus working in the area for procuring and selling of explosives materials illegally and therefore it is prayed for passing order (s) i) to declare the witnesses as Protected Witness nos. "A", "B", "C", "D", "E", "F" and "G", ii) to pass such order directing to protect the identity and address of the Protected Witness nos. "A", "B", "C", "D", "E", "F" and "G" as secret until such time as this Court deems fit and proper in view of section 17 of the NIA Act, 2008 iii) to pass such order to all concerned to keep the identity of the Protected Witness nos. "A", "B", "C", "D", "E", "F" and "G" in the safe custody of the Court and no certified copies to be furnished to the accused persons or any other person other than the CIO until such period as this Court deem fit and proper in the interest of investigation.

Having heard the submission of the Ld. Special P.P. of NIA with regard to declaring the witnesses as the Protected Witness nos. "A", "B", "C", "D", "E", "F" and "G" and keeping their identity and address confidential and considering the ground assigned and this Court being satisfied with regard to the threat perception of the witnesses as well as for proper and thorough investigation of this case, prayer of NIA is allowed.

Let the seven sealed envelopes marking as Protected Witness nos. "A", "B", "C", "D", "E", "F" and "G" be kept with the record.

To-date i.e. **08.04.2024** for appearance of the accused person, bringing order of the Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta, if any, and further hearing of the petition dated 25.07.2023 u/s 439 (2) Cr. P.C. praying for cancellation of bail of the accused person namely Panchanan Ghorai filed on behalf of the Prosecution/NIA in presence of both sides.

Let a copy of this order be sent to the Prosecution/NIA through Ld. Special P.P. of NIA for information.

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