

**In the Court of Additional District & Sessions Judge,
2nd Court, Sealdah, South 24-Parganas.**

S.T. No. 1(9)2023

(CIS Registration No.88 of 2022)

(J.O. Code: WB00833)

Order No.16 Dated 08.01.2025

Accused Raju Hazra @ Chotka is produced from J.C.

Today is fixed for production, evidence and hearing of bail petition.

No witness is present.

At this stage another application for bail is filed on behalf of the accused.

Copy served.

The bail petition is taken up for hearing.

Heard Ld. Panel Advocate DLSA for the petitioner / accused and Ld. P.P.-in-charge Mr. Ashim Kumar.

On behalf of accused it was submitted that accused is languishing in custody since 24.07.2022. Rs.1300/- was allegedly snatched and thereafter seized. It was further submitted that given the gravity of the offence accused should be enlarged on bail.

Strong objection was raised by Ld. P.P.-in-charge. It was stated that accused had committed robbery at around 3:50 hours on high way by brandishing a 'bhojali'. The weapon and money was recovered.

Considering the rival submissions and on perusal of the materials on record, it appears that charge against the present accused was framed under Section 392/397 of IPC and Section 25/27 of Arms Act on 29.09.2023 and date was fixed for evidence. It also appears that quantity of money involved is a secondary consideration but nature and manner of committing the offence is the prime criterion to assess the gravity of the offence.

Trial had progressed and incriminating materials had come against the accused.

Given the heinous nature of the crime and gravity of the offence, bail is not warranted. There is possibility that accused may abscond if released on bail.

Accordingly, prayer for bail stands rejected.

To 21.01.2025 for production and evidence.

Prosecution to take steps for summoning witnesses.

Dict. & Corr. by me,

**Addl. Dist. & Sess. Judge, 2nd Court,
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