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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

CRMP No. 1468 of 2026

1 - Anand Salma S/o Dharni Salma Aged About 28 Years R/o Village Pipali Pali
Thana Manmunda District- Baudh (Odisha)

2 - Darshan Singh S/o Kulwant Singh Aged About 49 Years R/o Village Modi
Para Sambalpur Thana Town District - Sambalpur (Odisha)

... **Petitioner(s)**

versus

State Of Chhattisgarh Hrough Station House Officer Police Station Gaurela
District - Gaurela - Pendra Marwahi (C.G.)

... **Respondent(s)**

For Petitioner(s)	: None
For Respondent/State	: Mr. Saumya Rai, Dy. Govt. Advocate.

Hon'ble Shri Ramesh Sinha, Chief Justice

Order on Board

18.06.2026

1. This is an office reference.
2. This Court, vide order dated 21.06.2023 passed in MCRC No. 3567 of 2023, while rejecting the bail of the petitioners, namely, **Anand Salma** and **Darshan Singh** had expressed its trust that the trial Court would make an earnest endeavor to conclude the trial expeditiously in accordance with law, preferably within a period of six months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of the order, if there was no legal impediment.
3. Earlier on four occasions also this Court had granted extension of time for compliance of the order dated 21.06.2023.



4. The learned Special Judge, (NDPS Act), Bilaspur District- Bilaspur (C.G.) vide his request letter dated 11.05.2026 has requested for grant of two month's additional time for concluding the trial.

5. It transpires from perusal of the P.U.D. that the evidence of three prosecution witnesses, including the Investigating Officer, still remains to be recorded. The record further reveals that summons, bailable warrants and warrants of arrest for securing the presence of the prosecution witnesses are being issued through the Nodal Officer, Deputy Superintendent of Police (Headquarters), and the Superintendent of Police, Bilaspur. However, the witnesses are not appearing before the Court despite such efforts. It is further submitted that a large number of NDPS cases are pending before the learned trial Court and continuous efforts are being made for their expeditious disposal, including cases falling within the prescribed time-limit category. In the aforesaid circumstances, he sought an extension of time and has prayed for grant of a further period of two months for concluding the trial and final disposal of the case.

6. The request appears to be reasonable. The concerned trial Court is directed to conclude the trial as early as possible, preferably within a further period of two months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

7. Accordingly, this CRMP stands **disposed off** with the aforesaid direction.

8. Registry is directed to send a certified copy of this order to the trial Court concerned for necessary information and compliance.

Sd/-
(Ramesh Sinha)
Chief Justice

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