

**C.R.R 464 of 2025**

**Dipak Chakrabarti  
Vs.  
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Ayan Bhattacharjee, Sr. Adv  
Mr. Pratim Priya Dasgupta  
Mr. Soumen Mohanty  
Mr. Agnish Basu  
Mr. Amit Dey

...for the Petitioner

Supplementary affidavit filed on behalf of the petitioner is taken on record.

The petitioner is aggrieved by the order passed by the learned Chief Judge, City Sessions Court, Calcutta on 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2025 in Sessions Case No.23 of 2023 allowing the prayer of the prosecution to declare witness no.75 as hostile and permitting the prosecution to cross-examine the witness.

Upon consideration of the order impugned, this Court is of the view that the matter ought to be considered upon hearing the opposite parties.

Petitioner is directed to serve copy of the application along with the annexures thereto upon the opposite parties and file affidavit-of-service on the adjourned date.

Let the matter appear under the same heading on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2025.

The order impugned dated 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2025 passed by the learned Chief Judge, City Sessions Court, Calcutta in Sessions Case No.23 of 2023 be stayed.

However, this order shall not preclude the learned Chief Judge from continuing with the trial of the case insofar as the other witnesses are concerned, more so since the Hon'ble Supreme Court has directed disposal of the case within six months from the date of the order.

On prayer of the petitioner, leave is granted to communicate the gist this order to the learned Trial Court at once.

Urgent photostat certified copy of the order, if applied for, be given to the parties, upon usual undertakings.

**(Suvra Ghosh, J.)**