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**IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri
Criminal Miscellaneous Jurisdiction**

C.R.M. (NDPS) 283 of 2025

In Re : An application for bail under Section 483 of the BNSS, 2023 filed in connection with Siliguri Town G.R.P.S. P.S. Case No. 23 of 2024 dated 20.11.2024 under Sections 8(C)/20(b)(ii)(c)/29 of the NDPS Act.

And

In Re : **Avik Dhar** ... Petitioner.

Kumar Shantanu

Taiab Shadat

Ms. Nikita Paul

... for the Petitioner.

Mr. Kallol Acharjee

... for the State

Heard learned counsels for the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody for more than 100 days. He is a railway employee and was only present in the compartment when the contraband articles were seized. He was not in conscious possession of the same.

Learned counsel for the State opposes the prayer.

I have considered the material on record.

It appears that at the relevant time, the petitioner was a coach attendant in respect of the railway coach from which contraband articles of commercial quantity were recovered. It is true that there were two more attendants in the said coach. Seizure lists indicates that recovery has been made from him.

In view of the statutory restrictions made under Section 37 of the NDPS act, prayer for bail is rejected at this stage.

The application for bail is disposed of.

Urgent certified website copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties upon compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)