

**High Court at Calcutta  
In the Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri  
Criminal Miscellaneous Jurisdiction**

25.03.2026  
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Ct. No. 07  
A.s  
(Allowed)

**C.R.M.(M) 337 of 2025**

In Re:- An application for bail under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in connection with Bagdogra Police Station Case No.48 of 2024 dated 30.01.2024, under Section 376D of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.

And

In the matter of : **Bishnu Minj**

..... petitioner

Mr. Jaydeep Kanta Bhowmick, Adv.

Ms. Jasmine Haque, Adv.

...for the de facto complainant

Mr. Ujjal Luksom, Adv

Mr. Bhaskar Das, Adv

...for the State

1. Prayer for bail is founded on the ground of parity as also the period of custody.
2. State and the private respondent are represented.
3. Learned advocate appearing for the private respondent/de facto complainant submits that, the petitioner is the main culprit. He refers to the statement of the victim recorded under Section 164 of the Criminal Procedure Code.
4. Petitioner and the co-accused were implicated in a case of gang rape. Co-accused was granted bail by the co-ordinate Bench on April 1, 2025 passed in CRM(DB)

- No.124 of 2025. Trial is in progress. First prosecution witness was examined in part.
5. Period of custody of the petitioner is about two years. Possibility of the trial ending any time soon is remote.
  6. On the ground of parity, as also on the ground of delay in the trial, I deem it appropriate to grant bail to the petitioner.
  7. Prayer for bail of the petitioner is granted.
  8. Accordingly, I direct that the petitioner shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only), with two sureties of like amount each, one of whom must be local, to the satisfaction of the Additional Sessions Judge, 1<sup>st</sup> Court, Siliguri subject to condition that the petitioner shall appear before the trial court on every date of hearing until further orders and shall not intimidate witnesses or tamper with evidence in any manner whatsoever.
  9. In the event petitioner fails to appear before the trial court without any justifiable cause, the trial court shall be at liberty to cancel his bail in accordance with law without further reference to this Court.
  10. The prayer for bail is **allowed**.
  11. **CRM(M) 337 of 2025** is **disposed of**.

**(Debangsu Basak, J.)**