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Rohit, A.R.(Ct.)
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IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS JURISDICTION
APPELLATE SIDE

C.R.M (M) 2244 of 2026

Astom Mondal @ Astam Mondal & Anr.
Vs
The State of West Bengal

In Re: An Application for Bail under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in connection with **Jiaganj** Police Station Case No. **30 of 2026** dated 23.01.2026 under Sections **103(1)/3(5)** of the BNS, 2023
And

In the matter of : Astom Mondal @ Astam Mondal & Anr
...Petitioners.

Mr. Mrityunjoy Chatterjee
Ms. Suchismita Chakraborty
...for the Petitioner

Mr. Snehasis Banerjee
Mr. Deepak Khetawat
...for the IOCL

1. The learned Advocate representing the petitioners submitted the petitioners to be in custody for eight and a half months and referred to the Order No. 1 dated 27th July, 2026 passed in S.SL. No. 184 of 2026 arising out of S.T. No. 15(07) 2026 where the Trial Court had referred to certain vulnerable witnesses. The learned Advocate representing the petitioners submitted those vulnerable witnesses to have been examined and sought for prayer for bail.

2. The learned Advocate representing the State opposed the prayer for bail further stressing that out of 40 witnesses 3 witnesses had been examined. Copy of the

deposition of the P.W.1, P.W.2 and P.W. 3 wherefrom it transpired that the victim had been beckoned from his house by the present petitioners. Majority of the witnesses are yet to be examined.

3. Considering the nature and gravity of the alleged offences the prayer for bail is considered and rejected.

4. Accordingly, CRM (M**) 2244** of 2026 i**s dismissed**.

5. All parties shall act in terms of server copy of the order downloaded from the official website of this Court.

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

(Ananya Bandyopadhyay, J.)