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CRR 1114 of 2026

Spectrum Petromac Private Limited
Vs.
M/s. Gannon Dunderley & Co. Ltd. & Ors.

Mr. Avijit Ghoshal ...for the Petitioner

Mr. Shubhojyoti Dutta
Mr. Koushik Choudhury
Ms. Anusuya Basu Dutta
Mr. Sayan Dan
Mr. Victor Chakraborty ...for the O.P. no. 2

Affidavit of service filed by the petitioner is taken on record. Opposite party no. 2 is represented.

In this application, the petitioner is aggrieved with the inordinate delay in culmination of the proceeding being case no. CS/259 of 2024, presently pending before the learned Judicial Magistrate, 3rd Court, Calcutta.

Being aggrieved by the inordinate delay caused in disposal of the said criminal proceeding, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the complainant initiated the said proceeding in the month of January, 2024. He further submits that the learned Judicial Magistrate, 3rd Court, Calcutta had taken cognizance upon the offences on 21st January, 2024. Since then, the evidence before charge has not yet been completed and as such, he prayed for necessary direction upon the court below for expeditious disposal of the aforesaid criminal proceeding.

Learned counsel for the opposite party no. 2 submits that the delay caused in disposal of the said proceeding, is due to complainant's absence before the Trial court, when the matter was fixed for hearing, still they are also in favour of conclusion of taking evidence before charge at the earliest.

Having heard learned counsel for the petitioner and the opposite party no. 2, it appears that the prayer made by the petitioner is justified and required to be allowed to secure the ends of justice.

In view of above, the instant application being CRR 1114 of 2026 is hereby disposed of with a direction upon the court below to conclude the evidence before charge at the earliest, preferably within a period of three months from the next date of hearing.

Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order, duly applied for, be given to the parties upon compliance of all requisite formalities.

(Dr. Ajoy Kumar Mukherjee, J.)