<u>Present</u> Mr. Justice Sheikh Abdul Awal Criminal Appeal No. 5483 of 2015

Md. Sahin Mia

.....Convict-appellant.

-Versus-

The State

.....Respondent.

No one appears.

.....For the convict-appellant.

Ms. Shahida Khatoon, D.A.G with Ms. Sabina Perven, A.A.G with Ms. Kohenoor Akter, A.A.G.For the respondent

Judgment on 29.04.2024.

Sheikh Abdul Awal, J:

This Criminal Appeal at the instance of the convict appellant, Md. Sahin Mia is directed against the impugned judgment and order of conviction and sentence dated 29.06.2024 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Narshingdi in Sessions Case No. 95 of 2008 arising out of Narsingdi Police Station Case No. 35 dated 19.03.2008 convicting the accused appellant under table 3(ka) of section 19(1) of the Madok Drabya Neyontran Ain, 1990 and sentencing him thereunder to suffer rigorous imprisonment for a period of 2(two) years and to pay a fine of Taka 5,000/-(five thousand) in default to suffer rigorous imprisonment for 03 (three) months more.

No one appears for the appellant.

In view of the fact that this petty old criminal Appeal arising out of 2(two) years sentence has been dragging before this Court for more than 8 years, I am inclined to dispose of the same.

At the time of pronouncement of judgment, it appears from the record that this Court on 09.08.2015 at the time of admission of appeal granted ad-interim bail to the accused appellant for a period of 06(six) months and thereafter, no one took any steps to extend the order of bail as a result of which the said bail was expired long before on 09.02.2016. In that view of the matter, I have no hesitation to hold that the convict appellant is a fugitive from law and justice.

In the case of Anti-Corruption Commission Vs. Dr. HBM Iqbal Alamgir, reported in 15 BLC(AD) 44, it has been held that the Court would not act in aid of an accused person who is a fugitive from law and justice.

In view of the above, this Appeal must fail.

In the result, the appeal is dismissed. The convictappellant, Md. Sahin Mia is directed to surrender his bail bond within 3 (three) months from today to suffer his sentence, failing which the Trial Court below shall take necessary steps to secure arrest against the convict appellant.

Send down the lower Court records at once.