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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

CNR No. DLHC010254842026

+ **BAIL APPLN. 2127/2026 & CRL.M.A. 17494/2026**

KULDEEP KUMAR

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Akshay Bhandari and Ms. Megha Saroa, Advocates.

versus

STATE GOVT OF NCT OF DELHI

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Amit Ahlawat, APP for State with IO/SI Prahlad.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GIRISH KATHPALIA

ORDER

% **19.08.2026**

1. The accused/applicant seeks regular bail in case FIR No. 374/2022 of PS Special Cell for offence under Section 22/29 of NDPS Act.
2. Learned counsel for accused/applicant seeks adjournment on the ground that the arguing counsel is not available. On the first date (29.05.2026) also, on being pointed out that bail application of the accused/applicant was dismissed twice and there was no change in circumstances, the proxy counsel took adjournment on the ground of non availability of arguing counsel, so matter was adjourned. On last date also, the matter had to be passed over awaiting the arguing counsel and thereafter, in the midst of the board the arguing counsel mentioned this matter with the



request for adjournment and the matter was posted for this date.

3. It seems that the arguing counsel is not interested in addressing arguments.

4. Adjournments in such manner have to be deprecated, because it leads to unnecessary burden on the dockets. Recently, as many as 179 old pending bail applications had been assigned to this bench and had to be disposed of at the cost of remaining matters.

5. At this stage, arguing counsel, Mr. Akshay Bhandari has appeared.

6. I have heard learned counsel for accused/applicant at length basically on the ground if there has been any change in circumstances, which was the issue mentioned in the very first order of this bail application. Learned counsel for accused/applicant submits that the change in circumstances is that he stands acquitted in the other two cases and there is a delay in trial.

7. However, after addressing partly, learned counsel for accused/applicant seeks permission to withdraw this bail application with liberty to file afresh after change in circumstances.

8. Accordingly, the bail application and accompanying application are dismissed as withdrawn with liberty as sought.

GIRISH KATHPALIA, J

AUGUST 19, 2026/ry