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

# **CNR No. DLHC010269222026**

+ **BAIL APPLN. 2358/2026**

**HIMANSHU SHARMA ALIAS DHRUV**

.....Applicant

Through: Mr. Pritish Sabharwal, Mr. Sandeep Mishra, Ms. Vanshika Kapoor, Ms. Shweta Singh and Mr. Surbhit Nandan, Advs.

versus

**STATE (NCT OF DELHI)**

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Satish Kumar, APP for State with Mr. Aditya Vikram Singh, Ms. Upasana Bakshi and Ms. Divya Bakshi, Advocates  
SI Mohit, PS.: Wazirabad  
Ms. Anushkaa Arora, SC  
(DHCLSC) for victim

**CORAM:**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SAURABH BANERJEE**

**ORDER**

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**17.08.2026**

1. By virtue of the present application under *Section 483* of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, the applicant seeks grant of regular bail in proceedings arising out of FIR No.120/2024 dated 14.02.2024 registered at PS: Wazirabad under *Sections 392/394/395/323/342/377/511/506/120B/412/201/34* of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.
2. *Succinctly put*, it is the case of the prosecution that one accused Priyanshi contacted the complainant, a jeweller, on Instagram and fraudulently induced him to deliver a certain gold chain to her and receive payment therefor at her house. On 10.02.2024, when the complainant



reached there, the accused persons, including the applicant herein, forcibly took *two tola* gold chain which he was carrying for sale, his own *three gold rings*, purse, phone and car keys from him, as also beat him with rods and inserted some objects into his private parts. They further recorded his videos sexually assaulting him, and then demanded *Rs.10,00,000/- [Rupees Ten Lakhs Only]* from him, failing which they threatened to kill and burn him. They then got transferred *Rs.50,000/- [Rupees Fifty Thousand Only]* from one friend of the complainant into their account, as also withdrew *Rs.25,000/- [Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only]* from the bank account of the complainant using his ATM Card and finally released him at 02:50 AM on 11.02.2024, threatening to release his videos on the internet and forcing him to commit suicide, if he approached the Police.

3. The complainant, however, approached the Police leading to registration of the present FIR. During the course of investigation, the said Priyanshi was apprehended, who disclosed involvement of the co-accused persons including the applicant herein, which led to the applicant being arrested on 19.02.2024.

4. In this backdrop, this Court has heard learned counsels for the applicant and the complainant as also learned APP. Written synopsis handed over by learned counsel for the complainant as well as Status Report handed over by learned APP, are taken on record.

5. As evinced, the present case involves grave and heinous offences, that too of a pre-planned nature with a clear motive involving enticing the complainant and then brutally assaulting, confining and violently threatening him repeatedly for the entire day. In fact, in furtherance of the above acts of making videos, forcing the complainant's friend to part with



money and the subsequent withdrawal of money form ATM Card of the complainant reflects that the applicant, along with other co-accused persons, was involved in a pre-meditative plan.

6. It is also worth noting that the presence of the applicant at the spot has been identified in the Judicial Test Identification Parade by the complainant. In fact, the applicant is also seen in the CCTV footages recovered from various relevant places such as the ATM. It is also an admitted position that the nude videos of the complainant have been recovered from his mobile phone, which have also tested positive in the Forensic Science Laboratory Report.

7. Lastly, taking into account that though the chargesheet has been filed, however, since the charges are yet to be framed and there are as many as 59 witnesses to be examined before the learned Trial Court, there may be chances of his tampering with the evidence and/ or influencing the witnesses, which will hamper the proceedings therein.

8. In view thereof, especially, the active role of the applicant throughout, the heinousness and the overall gravity involved, as also the sufficient positive materials against him, this Court is not inclined to grant regular bail to the applicant.

9. As such, the present application is dismissed at this stage.

10. Needless to say, any expression of view(s) on the merits, being purely for the purposes of adjudication of the present application shall have no bearing on the overall proceedings involved.

**SAURABH BANERJEE, J**

**AUGUST 17, 2026/bh**