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

+ BAIL APPLN. 21/2018, CrI. M.A. 8456/2018

SANJAY LAL

..... Petitioner

Through: Mr. Umesh Sharma, Adv.

Versus

THE STATE GOVT OF NCT OF DELHI

..... Respondent

Through: Mr. Radhika Kolluru, APP for the State
with SI Praveen Kumar, P.S. Mandawali.

Mr. Anil Kumar Singh and Mr. Ajay Chaudhary,
Adv. for R-2.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAJMI WAZIRI

ORDER

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20.09.2018

The petitioner seeks bail. He is accused of abetting unnatural death of his sister-in-law i.e. wife of Mithilesh, his co-accused. According to the learned counsel for the petitioner, he was a thousand kilometres away from the site of incident when she passed away, and he had nothing to do with the unfortunate happening. The learned counsel for the State opposes the bail and upon instructions submits, that there have been financial transactions i.e. deposit of monies by the father of the deceased in the bank account of the petitioner, towards fulfilment of dowry demands at the behest of the husband of the deceased. Whereas, it is the petitioner's case that no dowry was ever demanded by him and he could not have done so; he refers to the Narcoanalysis test, which records that the monies were deposited into the petitioner's account in the aftermath of the demonetization exercise. The petitioner is ready and willing to

cooperate in the investigation. Charges have been framed. He has been incarcerated since March, 2017.

In the aforesaid circumstances, the petitioner is enlarged on bail on his furnishing a personal bond in the sum of Rs.50,000/- with one surety of the like amount to the satisfaction of the Trial Court concerned, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) the petitioner will regularly appear on each and every date of hearing to be fixed by the Trial Court concerned;
- (ii) the petitioner will not try to influence, contact or meet the complainant and prosecution witnesses in any manner;
- (iii) the petitioner will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court and the passport, if any, shall be deposited with the Trial Court concerned; and
- (iv) in case of change of his new address or contact number, the petitioner will promptly intimate to the SHO/IO of the case and intimate the Trial Court.

The petition stands disposed-off in the above terms.

Nothing stated in this order shall be deemed to be an adjudication on the merits of the case.

A copy of this order be given *dasti* to the learned counsel for the parties under the signature of the Court Master.

NAJMI WAZIRI, J

SEPTEMBER 20, 2018/acm