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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

+ **BAIL APPLN. 2270/2025**

VIKAS DAS @VIRAT @NAKLIApplicant

Through: Mr. Satyabhan Singh
Baghel, Adv. through V.C.

versus

THE STATE (NCT OF DELHI)Respondent

Through: Ms. Richa Dhawan, APP
for the State.
Insp. Ramesh Chand, PS
Dwarka South.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMIT MAHAJAN

ORDER

% **01.07.2025**

CRL.M.A. 18135/2025 (exemption)

1. Exemption allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. The application stands disposed of.

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3. The present application is filed seeking regular bail in FIR No. 37/2018 dated 13.02.2018 registered at Police Station Dwarka South for offences under Sections 302/201 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 ('IPC'). Chargesheet was filed under Sections 302/201/34 of the IPC.

4. The FIR was registered pursuant to a complaint given by one Manish Parikh thereby informing the police that on account of a fire, one person got burnt in the Jungle. On receipt of the information, the police reached the spot and found that the victim (later identified as Sandeep Singh) was lying in a badly burnt condition (hereafter '**deceased**'). The fire was thereafter extinguished with the help of staff. It is alleged that the applicant

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came to the spot and misguiding the police that he had seen two persons going away from the spot.

5. During the course of the investigation, the statement of the deceased's father was recorded, who stated that the applicant along with two more persons had come to his house on 13.02.2018 and had taken the deceased along with them. Thereafter, the deceased did not return. He stated that on 15.02.2018, the staff of the Salon where the deceased used to work, informed him that the deceased had not come for work. He further stated that thereafter he asked the whereabouts of the deceased from the applicant, who did not disclose anything. On 17.02.2018, a missing person report was also given by the father of the deceased.

6. On 19.02.2018, the applicant was arrested, who allegedly admitted to his involvement. It is alleged that the applicant admitted that he hatched a conspiracy with one JCL for committing the murder of the deceased. It is alleged that the applicant along with one JCL had planned the murder of the deceased owing to his alleged close proximity with the applicant's girlfriend. The manner in which the deceased was killed was also disclosed.

7. The Police further claimed to have recovered other incriminating evidence which points towards the involvement of the applicant in the crime.

8. Multiple bail applications had been filed by the applicant which were dismissed by the learned Trial Court. The last bail application was dismissed by the learned Trial Court on 08.11.2024 thereby observing that the allegations against the applicant are heinous. It was noted that the clothes of the applicant were recovered pursuant to his disclosure statement. Further, as

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per the FSL result, the genetic material of the deceased was found on the clothes of the applicant. Consequently, considering the gravity of the offence and the probability of the applicant fleeing from justice in order to avoid harsh punishment in case the applicant was found guilty, the learned Trial Court dismissed the bail application preferred by the applicant.

9. On being pointedly asked, it is informed that out of 24 witnesses, 17 witnesses have already been examined. The trial is at its fag end and is likely to conclude in the near future.

10. In view of the above, considering the gravity of the offence and that the trial is likely to conclude in near future, this Court does not consider it apposite to entertain the present application at this stage.

11. The application is, therefore, dismissed. The learned Trial Court is requested to expedite the recording of evidence and make an endeavour to complete the trial within 6 – 8 months.

AMIT MAHAJAN, J

JULY 1, 2025
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