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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **BAIL APPLN. 1099/2026, CRL.M.A. 8335/2026 & CRL.M.A.**
8336/2026
CHIRAGPetitioner

Through: Mr. Mohit Rana, Mr. Aditya Choudhary, Mr. Himanshu Rohilla, Mr. Shivam Gaur and Ms. Ambika Gupta, Adv.

versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHIRespondent
Through: Mr. Manoj Pant, APP for the State along with SI Anuj Chhikara.

CORAM:
HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE SWARANA KANTA SHARMA

ORDER
13.04.2026

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1. By way of the present application, the applicant is seeking grant of anticipatory bail in case arising out of FIR bearing no. 249/2025, registered at Police Station Crime Branch, Delhi, for the commission of offences punishable under Sections 21/25/29 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (hereafter '*NDPS Act*').
2. Briefly stated, the facts of the present case are that on 17.09.2025, a secret information was received by Crime Branch, Delhi, regarding a drug supplier/dealer namely Anshul Rana, resident of Inderpuri, Delhi, who was involved in supply of narcotic drugs in Delhi/NCR and was likely to deliver a huge quantity of heroin/smack near Queens Valley School, Sector-08, Dwarka, Delhi. Acting upon the said information, a raiding team was



constituted and the raid was conducted at the instance of the informer. The accused Anshul Rana was apprehended near DDA Sports Complex, adjacent to Queens Valley School, Sector-08, Dwarka, Delhi and a total of 2.034 kg of heroin (commercial quantity) was recovered from him. It is stated that during investigation, accused Anshul Rana disclosed that he used to supply heroin to accused Chirag (the present applicant), The multiple raids were conducted at the house of the present applicant, but he could not be arrested. Resultantly, NBWs were issued against the present applicant.

3. At this stage, it is pertinent to note that the present applicant had been granted interim protection, *vide* order dated 19.03.2026, subject to his joining the investigation.

4. The learned counsel appearing on behalf of the applicant argues that the applicant has joined investigation and there is only a disclosure statement against him on record. It is thus prayed that the applicant be granted the relief of anticipatory bail.

5. The learned APP for the State, on the other hand, argues that though the applicant has joined investigation, he has not provided his earlier mobile phone, which he was using at the time of alleged offence. He also draws this Court attention to the fact that while the present case is pending, the present applicant has been arrested in another case by the Crime Branch and recovery of 4.5 kilograms of heroin has been effected from his possession.

6. This Court has **heard** arguments addressed on behalf of the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner as well as the learned APP for the State and has perused the material available on record.

7. After hearing arguments and going through the case file, this Court is of the opinion that though the present applicant has joined investigation but



he did not cooperate with the Investigation Officer (I.O.) and he also did not handover his earlier mobile phone, which is crucial for investigation of this case. Further, while the present application is pending, he has been arrested by the Crime Branch and commercial quantity of heroin has been recovered from him and a separate case under NDPS Act has been registered against him.

8. Considering the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case, this Court finds no ground for grant of anticipatory bail to the present applicant, since it is now more crucial to collect evidence. In view of the fact that recovery of commercial quantity of heroine in another case, making this a second case under NDPS Act registered against him, while the first case was pending consideration for grant of anticipatory bail. His custodial interrogation will be needed to unearth the larger conspiracy, as was argued by the learned APP for the State.

9. Accordingly, the present application stands dismissed. Pending applications also stand disposed of.

10. It is, however, clarified that nothing expressed herein above shall tantamount to an expression of opinion on merits of the case.

11. The order be uploaded on the website forthwith.

DR. SWARANA KANTA SHARMA, J

APRIL 13, 2026/A