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

\# **CNR No. DLHC010531462026**

\+ BAIL APPLN. 4731/2026 & CRL.M.A. 34616/2026

DINESH SINGH .....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Amit Sharma, Mr. Ravinder Singh, Ms. Seema and Ms. Anjali Choudhary, Advocates.

versus

STATE GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI & ORS. .....Respondents

Through: Mr. Shoaib Haider, APP for State.
S.I. Lokesh Kumar, P.S. Govind Puri.

**CORAM:**
**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA**

**O R D E R**

**% 03.11.2026**

1. The present application under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 ["BNSS"], seeks regular bail in proceedings arising from FIR No. 529/2026, registered at P.S. Govind Puri, under Sections 110/3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 ["BNS"]. Sections 79/126(2)/351(2) BNS were subsequently added during investigation. The Applicant has been in judicial custody since 27th September, 2026.

2. The prosecution alleges that on 25th September, 2026, at about 6:00 AM, the complainant was leaving her residence when the Applicant, who is her neighbour, started abusing her. When she objected, he allegedly returned from his house carrying two sticks, accompanied by his wife, and both assaulted the complainant. It is further alleged that they threatened to kill her and prevented her from entering her house. The complainant sustained



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injuries, including lacerations over the left temporal region and forehead, besides injuries to her hand and arm. During investigation, a *danda* was recovered from the Applicant's residence, the complainant's bloodstained clothes were seized, and her statement under Section 183 BNSS was recorded.

3. Mr. Amit Sharma, counsel for the Applicant, submits that the incident arose from a neighbourhood dispute and that the Applicant's wife was also assaulted and sustained injuries. Reliance is placed on her MLC and the complaint made by her to the police against the complainant and her husband. It is further submitted that the injuries sustained by the complainant are simple in nature. The Applicant has remained in custody for over one month, has no criminal antecedents, and the alleged weapon has already been recovered. His continued incarceration, it is urged, serves no useful purpose.

4. Mr. Yudhvir Singh Chauhan, APP for the State, opposes bail, referring to the multiple injuries sustained by the complainant and the apprehension of intimidation, particularly as the parties are immediate neighbours. He does not dispute that the injuries have been classified as simple in nature. On instructions from the Investigating Officer, he further states that the Applicant is not required for any further investigation and that the investigation is nearing completion, with the chargesheet expected to be filed within seven days.

5. The Applicant's earlier bail applications were dismissed on 28th September, 2026 and 5th October, 2026. The Sessions Court, while considering the latter application, took note of the injuries sustained by the Applicant's wife and observed that both sides had been involved in a scuffle,



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although it was not possible at that stage to determine who had initiated it. Bail was declined principally because the investigation was at an initial stage and there was an apprehension of further confrontation or intimidation.

6. The allegations against the Applicant cannot be treated lightly. The complainant has sustained multiple injuries, including on her head, and the allegation of assault with sticks requires due consideration. At the same time, the medical record of the Applicant's wife and her complaint concerning the same occurrence cannot be overlooked. Her complaint also acknowledges that she struck the complainant with a stick, although she claims to have acted in self-defence. The incident thus presents competing accounts, and the question of who initiated the assault remains disputed. Whether the circumstances establish the intention or knowledge necessary to constitute the offence under Section 110 BNS is a matter that must be determined upon examination of the evidence. No conclusive finding on that issue is called for at this stage.

7. The Nominal Roll records that the Applicant, aged 52 years, has undergone custody of one month and seven days as on 3rd November, 2026. He has no criminal antecedents, and his overall jail conduct is satisfactory. The injuries sustained by the complainant, though multiple, are stated by the Mr. Chauhan to be simple in nature. The alleged weapon has already been recovered, and the complainant's statement under Section 183 BNSS stands recorded. More importantly, the Investigating Officer does not require the Applicant for any further investigation, which is now nearing completion.

8. The State's concern regarding possible intimidation cannot be disregarded, given the proximity of the parties' residences and their history of disputes. However, considering that the incident arose from a



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neighbourhood altercation in which both sides sustained injuries, and that the Applicant is no longer required for investigation, this Court is of the view that his continued incarceration is not warranted. The apprehension of renewed confrontation can be adequately addressed through appropriate bail conditions.

9. Accordingly, the application is allowed. The Applicant is directed to be released on regular bail upon furnishing a personal bond of INR 25,000/- with one surety of the like amount, to the satisfaction of the concerned Trial Court/JMFC, subject to the following conditions:

(i) The Applicant shall appear before the Trial Court on every date of hearing, unless exempted, and shall join the investigation as and when required.

(ii) He shall not threaten, intimidate, influence or attempt to contact the complainant, her family members or any prosecution witness, directly or indirectly. He shall maintain peace and shall not engage in any confrontation with the complainant or her family.

(iii) The Applicant shall furnish his current residential address and mobile number to the Investigating Officer and shall intimate any change therein.

10. Any violation of the above conditions shall entitle the State to seek cancellation of bail.

11. The observations made herein are confined to the consideration of bail and shall not influence the investigation or trial.

12. The application stands disposed of.

**SANJEEV NARULA, J**

**NOVEMBER 3, 2026**/*hc*



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