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

+ **BAIL APPLN. 4863/2025**

NEERAJ SEHRAWAT

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Arvind Vashistha, Advocate

versus

STATE THROUGH SHO PS BABA HARIDAS NAGAR

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Sanjeev Sabharwal, APP for State
with Inspector Amit Kumar

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GIRISH KATHPALIA

ORDER

25.04.2026

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File taken up today on account of 03.03.2026 being declared holiday.

1. The accused/applicant seeks regular bail in case FIR No. 177/2024 of PS Baba Haridas Nagar for offence under Section 365/302/201/120B/34 IPC and Section 25/27 Arms Act.
2. Broadly speaking, the factual matrix set up by prosecution is as follows. On 24.03.2024, one Deepak Hooda lodged a missing complaint regarding his brother Ravi @ Sonu, alleging that Ravi @ Sonu was missing since 05.03.2024. The local police could not locate the missing person. Thereafter, on 15.05.2024, sisters of Ravi @ Sonu filed a fresh complaint with the police levelling allegations against their sister-in-law, Seema Hooda @ Rinku and their brother, Deepak Hooda that they had abducted Ravi @ Sonu, because they were embroiled in property disputes. On the basis of that complaint dated 15.05.2024, the FIR was registered. During



investigation, one Lalit approached the police and stated that apparently, his friends Neeraj Dahiya and the present accused/applicant had apparently hatched a conspiracy and had either abducted Ravi @ Sonu or had killed him. Lalit stated that he had lastly seen Ravi @ Sonu with the present accused/applicant on 05.03.2024. On 06.03.2024, according to the IO, dead body of Ravi @ Sonu was found in Meerut, where FIR No. 112/2024 was registered on 20.03.2024.

3. Against the above backdrop, learned counsel for accused/applicant submits that there is no legally admissible evidence to connect the accused/applicant with the murder of Ravi @ Sonu. It is also submitted that the accused/applicant is in custody since 18.05.2024, but till date, even charge has not been framed. Therefore, release on bail is sought on behalf of accused/applicant.

4. On the other hand, learned APP for State assisted by IO/Inspector Amit Kumar opposes the bail application on the ground that there is clear evidence of last seen, coupled with recovery of the weapon of offence at the instance of the accused/applicant.

5. To begin with, it remains not explained as to if the dead body of Ravi @ Sonu was recovered on 06.03.2024, why the FIR in Meerut was registered on 20.03.2024.

6. So far as the weapon of offence is concerned, according to prosecution case, the alleged murder took place on 06.03.2024 but the weapon of offence, which is a pistol, was got recovered by the accused/applicant on 19.05.2024, that too, from underneath the seat of the car belonging to the co-accused Seema Hooda. Admittedly, the IO did not even take any action to try to lift any chance prints from that pistol.



7. It also needs to be ascertained as to whether the fatal bullet retrieved from the dead body is the same that was fired from the allegedly recovered pistol.
8. On these aspects, the IO seeks adjournment to again examine the record. Keeping in mind the seriousness of the offence, adjournment request is allowed but it is made clear that no further adjournment shall be granted.
9. Relist on 07.05.2026 in Advance List.

GIRISH KATHPALIA, J

APRIL 25, 2026/as