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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **BAIL APPLN. 4934/2025**
VIKASHPetitioner

Through: Mr. Sunil Dalal, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Rajiv Singh, Mr. Sanjeev
Chauhan, Mr. Ankit Rana, Ms. Shipra
Bali, Mr. Sarthak Malhotra,
Mr. Bharat Khurana and Mr. Anirudh
Singh, Advocates.

versus

THE STATE THROUGH SHO PS BUDH VIHAR.....Respondent
Through: Mr. Raj Kumar, APP for the State with
SI Sumit, PS Budh Vihar.

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ JAIN

ORDER
17.02.2026

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1. The applicant seeks regular bail in a case arising out of FIR No.478/2025 dated 29.10.2025, registered at PS Budh Vihar, for commission of offences under Sections 140(2)/115(2)/351/3(5)/308(3) of *Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS)*, 2023 (corresponding Sections 364A/323/503/506/507/34/385 of IPC).
2. The applicant was arrested on 02.11.2025 and is in custody since then.
3. The Nominal Roll has been received which does not indicate any other involvement of the applicant.
4. The incident in question is, reportedly, of 28.10.2025 when complainant-Rajeev was present at a Service Centre along with his minor son, aged 13 years. The main perpetrator i.e. accused-Yogesh @ Yogi along with

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Ravinder @ Pahlwan and applicant-Vikash came there in a Scorpio and, as alleged, the applicant herein snatched the keys of the scooter of the complainant and forcibly abducted him at gun point in the presence of his minor son. Inside the vehicle, the complainant was assaulted and accused-Yogesh @ Yogi demanded Rs.30 lacs as ransom.

5. As per the allegations, accused-Yogesh @ Yogi handed over mobile of the complainant to the applicant with direction to him to go to the house of the complainant and ask for ransom from his family.

6. Admittedly, the allegedly abducted person i.e. complainant returned home same evening and it is also not the case of prosecution that any ransom was paid.

7. Said minor child was taken back to his home by the applicant where he demanded ransom from the wife of complainant.

8. Learned senior counsel for the applicant strongly relies upon CCTV footage which, according to him, clearly indicates that though the complainant was taken in a car, as far as the minor son of the complainant is concerned, he left the scene all by himself, while driving away the same scooty. He submits that the prosecution story, *qua* complicity of applicant, thus, stands belied.

9. Learned Addl. P.P. for the State, while opposing the bail application, contends that thereafter the applicant-Vikash had followed the son of the complainant on a separate scooty. At the same time, however, in all fairness, he admits that there is no such subsequent CCTV footage, corroborating the above. He submits that the statement of the wife of complainant has been recorded which clearly indicates his involvement.

10. However, when asked, whether the statement of the minor son of



complainant was recorded or not, learned Addl. P.P. for the State, on instructions, submitted that no such statement was, ever, recorded.

11. Charge-sheet has already been filed and the other two accused persons, including the main perpetrator, are already in jail.

12. Learned Senior Counsel for the applicant, on instructions from learned briefing counsel, submits that the applicant has clean antecedents and he is not involved in any other case whatsoever.

13. Keeping in mind the overall facts of the case and without expressing any opinion over the merits of the case, the applicant is directed to be released on bail on his furnishing personal bond in a sum of Rs. 25,000/- with one surety of like amount, subject to the satisfaction of learned Trial Court/CMM/Duty Magistrate with following conditions:-

(i) The applicant would provide his Mobile Number to the concerned I.O and would ensure that such Mobile Number remains active and operational, till the disposal of the case by the learned Trial Court.

(ii) The applicant would not try to come in contact of complainant and his family members, directly or indirectly.

14. The application stands disposed of in aforesaid terms.

15. A copy of this order be immediately sent to the learned Trial Court and Jail Superintendent for information and necessary compliance.

MANOJ JAIN, J

FEBRUARY 17, 2026/st/sa