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

+ **BAIL APPLN. 8/2026**

EKWEGBARA FRANKLIN

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Rohan Gupta with Mr. Anoop
Gupta, Advocates.

versus

STATE (NCT OF DELHI)

.....Respondent

Through: Ms. Priyanka Dalal, APP for the State
with ASI Rajesh Kumar, Anti
Narcotics Squad.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ JAIN

ORDER

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20.03.2026

1. After hearing arguments for some time, learned counsel for the applicant, without prejudice to his rights and contentions, does not press the present application. He, however, submits that the applicant, who is a foreign national, is languishing in jail for last two years and there are already several significant contradictions in the testimony of the witnesses examined so far. He submits that the learned Trial Court may be requested to expedite the trial and in case, it is not expedited, the applicant be given liberty to approach this Court again for seeking bail.
2. In view of the above, the present application is disposed of as not pressed.
3. Learned Trial Court is also requested to give requisite priority to the present matter and to make best efforts to dispose it off, as expeditiously as possible, preferably, within a period of six months from the date it takes up

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the matter. In case, the trial is not concluded within the abovesaid period, the applicant herein would be at liberty to file fresh bail application before this Court.

MANOJ JAIN, J

MARCH 20, 2026

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