

17.02.2026

Present :- Ms. Mala Sharma, Ld. Counsel for DRI.
Accused Anil Kumar absent.
Accused Manu Khosla on bail through VC.
Accused Amit produced from Kasna Jail, UP.
Ms. Mamta Barik, Ld. Proxy counsel for accused
Anil Kumar.
Sh. SS Das, Ld. Counsel for accused Manu Khosla
and Amit.

An exemption application filed on behalf of accused Anil Kumar on the ground that he has to take care of his aged father who has undergone cataract surgery. Exemption granted for today only.

No PW present.

Reply of an email filed on behalf of Ld. Counsel for DRI stating that two witnesses were summoned for today i.e., public witness Shankar , who is shown his inability to appear being at his native village. Further, Sh. Sunil Kumar, SIO, who has been duly served through whatsapp also has not appeared. Ld. Counsel for DRI submits that she has no intimation qua his absence.

As per record, the incident pertains to the year 2013 and pending at the stage of prosecution evidence since 02.04.2016 when the charges were framed in this matter. Meaning thereby, that approximately 10 years have been taken by the DRI so far to lead evidence and the same is still pending. In these circumstances, considering the fact that almost 10 years have been taken by DRI to lead PE and the same is still pending and this being one of the

oldest case of this court, one last and final opportunity is granted to DRI to lead entire remaining PE subject to cost of Rs. 5,000/- to be deducted from the salary of the erring official Sh. Sunil Kumar, SIO who failed to appear despite service, as per reply filed by Ld. Counsel for DRI, through concerned Head of the Zonal Unit, DRI.

It is made clear that since this being one of the oldest matter in this court, no further opportunity shall be granted to DRI to conclude evidence, in case, they failed to conclude their evidence on the date fixed.

Further, Ld. Counsel for DRI stated at Bar that after taking necessary instructions from the concerned official, she would drop repetitive witnesses or witnesses which are not necessary or formal witnesses.

List on 23.02.2026 and 27.02.2026 for entire RPE. The date fixed for tomorrow i.e. 18.02.2026 stands cancelled on account of personal difficulty stated by Ld. Counsel for DRI.

(Ajay Garg)
Special Judge-NDPS/ASJ (South)
Saket Courts/17.02.2026