

Item No. 4
SC 48/2019
STATE Vs. ANKIT BHARDWAJ

24.09.2025

Present: **Sh. Pramod Kumar, Ld. Substitute Addl.PP for State**
All accused persons produced from J/C.
Ms. Poonam Rana, Advocate, Ld proxy counsel for
Mr. Avnish Rana, Advocate, Ld accused no.1,
accused no.2 and accused no.4.
Sh. Bhawan Singh, Advocate, Ld. CLADC for the
accused no.3 (Dev Chopra).
IO Inspector Baljeet Singh in person.

Matter is listed for the deposition of PW-1 Dr. V.K. Ranga and PW-5 Smt. Seema Rana qua accused no.3, who was earlier P.O. However, both the witnesses failed to appear.

Process qua Dr. V.K. Ranga received back with the report he refused to accept the summon on the ground that he has earlier received summon in another matter bearing FIR No. 821/2022, u/s 498-A/304-B/34 IPC, P.S Mahindra Park. If PW Dr. V.K. Ranga is busy in another court, he may sent his request but this cannot be a ground to refuse to accept the summon. Since he refused to accept the summon, it amounts that he has been served in accordance with law. Since, he failed to appear despite service, issue B/W against him in the sum of Rs. 5,000/- through IO.

On the last date of hearing, Mr. Deepak Arora, brother of PW Seema Rana appeared and assured the court that his sister would appear on the next date but again she failed to appear despite service of summons. Accordingly, issue B/W against her in the sum of Rs. 5,000/- through IO.

On being asked, Ld counsel appearing for accused no.3 submits that since PW-3 HC Anshu and PW-4 ASI Rajender are formal witnesses and they have been cross-examined by Mr. Avnish Rana, Ld counsel for other accused persons, he does not wish to examine them and he adopts the cross-examination conducted by Mr. Avnish Rana.

Let the statement of counsel be recorded in this regard separately.

In view of the statement, cross-examination on behalf of accused no.3 Dev Chopra qua above witnesses is considered as NIL.

Renotify the matter for cross-examinations of PW-1 and PW-5 on behalf of accused no.3. IO be bound down for the next date, i.e. on 29.10.2025.

(PAWAN KUMAR JAIN)
Principal District & Sessions Judge
South-West, Dwarka Courts
New Delhi/24.09.2025