

38 MISC CRL 1914/2026
STATE Vs. UNKNOWN
80001379/2026 (New Friends Colony)

23.04.2026

An application seeking release of mobile phone **I-Phone 17 Pro 256 Cosimic Orange HK colour** on superdari taken up today.

Present: Sh. Tarun Srivastava, Ld. APP for the State.
Applicant present (through VC).
Sh. Ved Prakash, Id. Counsel for applicant (through VC).

IO has filed his reply. Same is taken on record.

Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in matter of “**Manjit Singh Vs. State**” in Crl. M.C. No. 4485/2013 dated 10.09.2014 has held as follows: -

“59. The valuable articles seized by the police may be released to the person, who, in the opinion of the court, is lawfully entitled to claim such as the complainant at whose house theft, robbery or dacoity has taken place, after preparing detailed panchnama of such articles, taking photographs of such articles and a security bond.

60. The photographs of such articles should be attested or countersigned by the complainant, accused as well as by the person to whom the custody is handed over. Whenever necessary, the court may get the jewellery articles valued from a government approved valuer.

61. The actual production of the valuable articles during the trial should not be insisted upon and the photographs along with the panchnama should suffice for the purposes of evidence”

Considering the facts and circumstances and law laid down by **Hon'ble High Court of Delhi**, mobile phone in question as per seizure memo be released to the applicant by IO on furnishing ownership proof, indemnity bond as per valuation report of mobile phone, **subject to verification of identity of rightful claimant** and after preparation of panchnama and taking photographs of mobile phone including its IMEI

numbers as per above directions of ***Hon'ble High Court of Delhi*** in above cited paragraphs. Panchnama, photographs, valuation report and security bond shall be filed alongwith final report.

Application is disposed off accordingly.

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(Vinod Joshi)
ACJM (South-East) Saket Courts,
New Delhi / 23.04.2026