

Special Case No. 04/16
Reg No.02/22
CNR No. WBCS01 000002-2022
Order No.196

Order dated 05.01.24

Today is fixed for hearing petition dated 21.12.23 for permission of accused petitioner Prateek Bhalotia (A4) to travel abroad at Switzerland and Croatia for the purpose of tourism in between 10.01.24 to 21.01.24.

Accused petitioner Prateek Bhalotia (A4) is present by filing hazira.

Ld. Advocate for the petitioner submits this accused petitioner on and from 2019 till 25.01.23 for several occasions visited abroad with permission of Ld. Court.

Ld. Advocate for the petitioner further submits petitioner abide all norms during his visit at abroad.

Ld. Advocate for the petitioner also further submits accused petitioner shall appear on 21.01.2024 before court physically after returning from Switzerland and Croatia. Ld. Advocate submits trial of this case shall not hamper as because charge of this case has not yet been framed.

Ld. PP for CBI raises vehement objection and submits that accused petitioner may abscond forever to avoid trial and so prayer for visit abroad should be rejected at this stage.

Heard both sides at length.

It appears from record vide order no. 206 dated 22.01.19, order no. 201 dated 19.12.18, order No. 158 dated 18.09.17 and onwards this accused petitioner with permission of the Ld. Court visited abroad and after returning country appear before court.

Petitioner files itinerary and photocopy of air ticket showing that accused petitioner shall stay to the hotel at Switzerland and Croatia and facts remain case is fixed for supply of other copy and verification of CD.

Ld PP for CBI submits charge is yet not framed.

So I think petitioner is permitted to visit abroad to the aforesaid country on the following condition:-

a) Petitioner shall furnish a bond of Rs.5,00,000/- (five lakhs) along with a cash security of equivalent amount to the satisfaction of this court undertaking that the petitioner shall act in terms of the order and return to Kolkata on or before 21.01.2024.

b) The petitioner shall furnish roaming mobile number to the I.O and also furnish details of his visit to abroad.

c) The petitioner shall affirm an affidavit before this court regarding the above.

Petitioner must be present before court in person after returning broad on 21.01.24 at sharp 10:30 AM.

Thus the petition is disposed off on contest.

Let a copy of this order be supplied to the Ld. PP for CBI for information in this matter.

To 21.01.24 for appearance of this accused person.

Sd/-
Judge, 3rd Special
(CBI Designated) Court,
Bankshall Court, Calcutta

Later:

A bond of Rs.5,00,000/- along with affidavit and cash security of equivalent amount are furnished by the accused petitioner Prateek Bhalotia (A4) are found fit and accepted.

Sd/-
Judge, 3rd Special
(CBI Designated) Court,
Bankshall Court, Calcutta