

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

Order No.253
Order dated 19.01.26

Petition filed on behalf of accused Prateek Bhalotia (A4) is taken up for hearing. Accused Prateek Bhalotia(A4) is present by filing hazira. Ld advocate for the accused person is present. Ld. PP for CBI is present. No reply petition has been submitted by Ld. PP for CBI. Ld. PP for CBI, however, vehemently raised objection and submits that this accused person filed the petition for permission to leave the country only few days ago. It is further submitted that this is a case under the provision of Prevention of Corruption Act and the accused person is named in FIR and in case, his frequent visit is allowed by this court, he will set up parallel residence in foreign country and may not return. It is further submitted that the petitioner has intended to visit some countries with whom, there is no extradition treaty and it will be difficult for the investigating agency to bring back him. Accordingly, Ld.PP for CBI prayed for rejection of the petition filed by the accused Prateek Bhalotia(A4).

Heard both sides.

It appears from the instant application that the petitioner intends to visit Dubai from 21.01.26 to 25.01.26 and Italy, Switzerland, Germany from 28.01.26 to 07.02.26 for the purpose of business.

From the case record, it appears that the accused left India several occasions with the permission of the court and returned from foreign countries on the date fixed and conduct of the accused nullifies the apprehension of Ld. PP for CBI.

Accordingly, physical presence of the accused is fixed on 10.02.26. Therefore, the accused Prateek Bhalotia(A4) may be allowed to remain abroad till 07.02.26 and must present in court on 10.02.26.

So this accused person may be permitted to visit Dubai from 21.01.26 to 25.01.26 and Italy, Switzerland, Germany from 28.01.26 to 07.02.26 for the purpose of business. The accused person namely Prateek Bhalotia (A4) is permitted to visit the aforesaid countries **on submitting bond of Rs.10 Lacs with condition that he shall remain present on 10.02.26, that he shall furnish roaming mobile number and details of the visit to different places to the IO. The accused shall affirm an affidavit to that effect before this court.**

The accused person must remain present on 10.02.26 failing which this accused person shall be dealt with for non-compliance of the order in accordance with law.

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

Petition dated 15.01.26 for foreign visit filed by accused no.4 Prateek Bhalotia is allowed on contest with the observation made above.

To-date i.e. 29.01.26.

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

Later:-

One personal bond of Rs.10,00,000/- (ten lacs) and affidavit are furnished by the petitioner/accused Prateek Bhalotia(A4) which are found fit and accepted and he must remain present on 10.02.26.

To-date i.e. 29.01.26.

Sd/-
Judge, 3rd Special
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