SC No. 57453/2016 STATE Vs. CHANDER VIBHASH FIR No. 422/2011 PS - Hari Nagar CNR No. DLWT01-000439/2011

11.08.2025

Present: Sh. Shiv Kumar-II, Ld. Addl. PP for State.

Accused (on bail) in person.

Sh. Shiva Pande, Ld. Counsel for accused through VC.

- 1. Ld. Counsel for the accused submits that he does not wish to admit the documents pursuant to the order of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi dated 01.08.2025 and requests for examination of the witnesses pursuant to order of this Court dated 29.07.2025. Heard. Perused.
- 2. Let summons be issued to Nodal Officer, Vodafone, Nodal Officer, Reliance Communication and Nodal Officer, Airtel with directions to appear in person along with requisite record. Summons be served through IO/Inspector Ashu Gehrotra.
- 3. At this stage, it is informed to the Court by orderly Sh. Vicky Singh and Naib Court (Prosecution) HC Naveen that accused Chander Vibhas has thrown some rice on the floor under the dias. The same has been also been informed by Ld. Counsels present in the Court including Sh. Ram Kumar, Ld. Dy. Chief Legal Aid Counels, Sh. Dhruv Bhagat, Advocate and Ld. Prosecutor.
- 4. On enquiry, accused stated that he was having some rice in his hands which have just fallen down. However, he fails to explain as to why he was carrying rice in his hands while entering the Court and during Court proceedings.
- 5. It is informed by the Staff members of the Court including the Reader of the undersigned Ms. Anita and Senior P.A. Ms.Poonam Sachdeva

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that on 02.08.2025 when the Court was on leave, some rice were also found thrown on the floor of the Court. The accused on his own submits that on 02.08.2025, he was present through VC, however, Reader of the undersigned has stated that as per ordersheet of that day, he was present physically in the Court. The order sheet has been perused.

- 6. The Court Room is entirely full and the Advocates present in Court have requested the Court to get the rice removed/cleaned, spilled all over as they hesitate to approach the dias for their matters to be taken up after this matter. Accordingly, accused is directed to collect the rice from the floor which seems to have been deliberately thrown by him and the staff of the undersigned is directed to call for a sweeper immediately through Care Taking Branch. Till the time the sweeper comes, the Court proceedings have been halted at the request of Ld. Counsels present in the Court since they suspect Black Magic by accused. The sweeper has come after 10 minutes and cleaned the floor.
- 7. His Counsel, who is appearing through VC is well informed about the overact done by the accused and he has sought time to appear physically.
- 8. At this stage, accused has kneeled down and sought appology for his act. Be awaited for appearance of main counsel physically at 2:00 p.m. as requested. The accused is directed not to leave the Court room till the proceedings are over.

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At 1:00 p.m.

File is again taken up on mentioning by Ld. Counsels for the accused.

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accused.

9. Ld. Counsels for accused have requested to have conversation with accused. Heard. Allowed.

10. Put up at 2:00 p.m.

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At 2:00 p.m.

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Accused detained in Court.

Ms. Sonam Gupta and Sh. Shiva Pande, Ld. Counsels for

accused.

11. <u>In the morning session, the accused interrupted the judicial proceeding by 15-20 minutes due to his over act as stated above, which is an offence under Section 267 of BNS, 2023 and for ready reference the aforesaid Section is reproduced hereinbelow:</u>

"Section – 267 Intentional insult or interruption to public servant sitting in judicial proceeding.

Whoever intentionally offers any insult, or causes any interruption to any public servant, while such public servant is sitting in any stage of a judicial proceeding, shall be punished with simple imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to five thousand rupees, or with both."

- 12. The Court Room is a space where justice is sought and delivered and maintaining its dignity is essential for Rule of Law. Disrespect towards the Court or disruption of judicial proceedings sends a damaging public message and such overt act/behaviour of accused today not only disrupted the Court proceedings and undermind the judicial process but also threatens the very foundation of our legal system. Section 267 of BNS exits to ensure that the Courts can do their work without harassment or disturbance preserving both the order of proceedings and the authority of Law. The act done by the accused if go unchecked will erode the Court's ability to function.
- 13. Even, the Maharashtra Prevention and Eradication of Human Sacrifice and other Inhuman, Evil and Aghori Practices and Black Magic Act, 2013 has been enacted with the object as under:

"An Act to bring social awakening and awareness in the society and to create a healthy and safe social environment with a view to protect the common people in the society against the evil and sinister practices thriving on ignorance, and to combat and eradicate human sacrifice and other inhuman, evil, sinister and aghori practices propagated in the name of so called supernatural or magical powers or evil spirits commonly known as black magic by commen with sinister motive of exploiting the common people in the society and thereby destroying the very social fibre of the society; and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto."

Accordingly, this Act prohibits and criminalizes such practices.

- This is very shocking and surprising to the Court that the present accused Dr. Chander Vibhas, who is stated to be a Surgeon by profession and belonging to educated and elite class, has acted in such unreasonable manner and created interruption in Court proceedings. Accordingly, this Court is constrained to take cognizance of the offence under Section 267 BNS, 2023 against accused Dr.Chander Vibhas since proceedings of the Court were halted for about 15-20 minutes and it is triable by this very Court where the said offence has been committed.
- Notice of the aforesaid offence under Section 267 BNS is given to the accused, which has been duly explained to him by this Court and his counsels present in Court today. Accused Dr. Chanders Vibhas pleaded guilty to the same and apologizes for his said conduct/act. Statement of the accused well assisted by his Counsels has been recorded separately. Accordingly, he is convicted for the offence under Section 267 of BNS, 2023.
- Ms. Sonam Gupta, Ld. Counsel for the accused submits that he is feeling remorse and undertakes not to repeat any such act in future. She further submits that the accused was misguided by someone and therefore, prays for mercy.
- 17. After considering all the facts and circumstances including apology tendered by accused and his feeling of remorse, he is sentenced to undergo imprisonment till rising of the Court and fine of Rs.2,000/- to be deposited with State. Fine deposited vide receipt No. 0510220.
- 18. Put up for prosecution evidence on **18.08.2025**.
- 19. Copy of this order be given dasti to accused/Ld. Counsel for accused.

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