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IN THE COURT OF SH. AMITABH RAWAT, ADDITIONAL SESSIONS JUDGE-03 SHAHDARA DISTRICT, KARKARDOOMA COURT, DELHI

FIR No.59/20
PS- Crime Branch (Investigated by Special Cell)
U/S. 13/16/17/18 UAPA, 1967
302/307/353/186/212/395/427/435/436/452/454/109/114/147/148/124A/153A/
120B IPC, 3, 4 of PDPP Act, & 25/27 Arms Act
State Vs. Umar Khalid

14.09.2020 (At about 6.30 pm)

ORDER

Present: Sh.Amit Prasad, Ld. Special PP for the State (through Webex).

Sh. Trideep Pais & Ms. Sanya Kumar, Ld. Counsel for accused.

Accused Umar Khalid has been produced after fresh arrest from Special Cell/NDR, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi through video conferencing with SI Manoj.

IO/Inspector Pramod Chauhan, on behalf of I.O/ACP Alok Kumar with case file and case diaries.

Through the present application, ten days police custody remand has been sought for accused namely Umar Khalid, who has been arrested on 13.09.2020 in the present case.

It was stated in the application and submitted by the Ld. Special Prosecutor that the present case pertains to a multi-layered conspiracy and preplanned riots in Delhi. It was submitted that on 06.03.2020 specific information was received in the Crime Branch that the communal riot incidents during February 23-26, 2020 in Delhi were preplanned and the same were hatched by one Umar Khalid a student of Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) and his associates, all linked with different-different groups. As per preplanned conspiracy, the accused Umar Khalid gave provoking speeches at various places and appealed the Muslim minority community gathering to block roads and other public places during the visit of Mr. Donald Trump, Hon'ble President of USA on

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of justice.

Ld. Counsel for the accused has opposed the application stating that he has already been interrogated twice in this case. He had further submitted that in case, remand is being given then he may be allowed legal interview with the accused. It was further submitted that safety and security of the accused may also be ensured. It was further submitted that certain items as mentioned in para 10 in his application like Tracks, t-shirt, etc. be also given to the accused. It was further submitted that vakalatnama may be allowed to be signed by the accused in police custody.

Heard.

I have gone through the case file and case diaries.

The investigation in the present case of conspiracy for Delhi riots which took place in Delhi is continuing. Considering the nature of the case and role of the accused Umar Khalid that has surfaced so far regarding the the conspiracy and involvement in Anti-CAA/NPR/NRC protest with the support of several radical groups/organizations resulting in riots and the fact that the custodial interrogation has been sought of the accused Umar Khalid for confronting the huge technical data as well as material that has come during the investigation, I deem it fit that, for having an effective and proper investigation to allow the present application for seeking police custody remand of the accused Umar Khalid for a period of ten days. Accordingly, the application is allowed and ten days police custody remand of the accused namely Umar Khalid is given to the IO. The I.O shall get the accused medically examined every 24 hours. Sh. Trideep Pais, Ms. Sanya Kumar and Ms. Rakshanda Deka, Ld. Counsels for accused are permitted to confer with the accused for a period not exceeding half an hour at the beginning of the police custody and thereafter, daily during police custody remand

at the venue to be communicated to the counsel. The concerned police officials shall ensure that they remain outside the audible range during the said period. Needless to state that the accused and his counsel shall follow the necessary distancing protocols in view of the outbreak of Covid-19.

After expiry of police custody remand, accused be produced before the court on 24.09.2020.

As far as prayer of accused regarding handing over the articles as mentioned in his application in para 10 i.e. 04 tracks, 04 t-shirts, 03 undergarments, 02 tooth brush, 02 tooth paste, 02 soaps, 02 handwash, 20 masks, 02 liter bottle hand sanitizer, 02 towels, 02 hand towels, 02 strips calcium tables, and 02 strips antacids, the same is allowed. Accordingly, articles, so mentioned in the application of accused, may be allowed to be given to the accused through I.O. Ld. Counsel for accused may also get the vakalatnama signed from the accused during police custody remand.

Since there is an apprehension raised by the Ld. Counsel for accused regarding safety of the accused, in case, he is taken out of the office, hence, the DCP is directed to make proper arrangements for ensuring his safety and security during the entire police custody remand.

At the request of the counsel for accused, the Inspector Pramod Chauhan, present in the court, has provided his mobile number bearing no. 7503002530 to the counsel for accused for coordinating regarding meeting during the police custody remand.

The articles enumerated in para no. 10 of the application moved by the counsel for accused, have been handed over to the Inspector Pramod Chauhan for use of accused during police custody remand.

Applications under consideration are accordingly disposed off.

