

IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

Dated

20/2/26

The Registrar General,
High Court of Delhi,
New Delhi.

1. The District & Sessions Judge (HQ), Tis Hazari Court, Delhi
2. The District & Sessions Judge, Central, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi
3. The District & Sessions Judge, West, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi
4. The District & Sessions Judge, New Delhi, Patiala House Courts, Delhi
5. The District & Sessions Judge, South, Saket Courts, Delhi
6. The District & Sessions Judge, South East, Saket Courts, Delhi
7. The District & Sessions Judge, East, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi
8. The District & Sessions Judge, North East, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi
9. The District & Sessions Judge, Shahdara, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi
10. The District & Sessions Judge, North West, Rohini Courts, Delhi
11. The District & Sessions Judge, North, Rohini Courts, Delhi
12. The District & Sessions Judge, South West, Dwarka Courts, Delhi
13. The District & Sessions Judge, CBI Distt., Rouse Avenue Courts, Delhi



Crl. M.B. 309/2026 in

Criminal Appeal No. 155/2026

Maksud

.... Appellant

Versus

State of NCT Delhi

.... Respondent

UNDER SECTION 415 OF BNSS (OLD 374 OF CR.P.C.) AGAINST IMPUGNED ORDER DATED 03.12.2025 AND ORDER OF SENTENCE DATED 08.12.2025 PASSED BY SH. MARKAN L.D. ADDITIONAL SESSIONS JUDGE-01/SPECIAL JUDGE (POCSO), SHAHDARA COURT, KARKARDOOMA COURT, DELHI IN SC NO. 334/2017, U/S 376(2)(h)(1)/376D/506IPC & 6 ADULT IN CASE FIR NO. 653/2017, REGISTERED AT POLICE STATION : NAND NAGRI.

I am directed to forward herewith for information and necessary action a copy of order dated 11.02.2026 passed in the above noted case by the Hon'ble Division Bench of this court. Other necessary directions are contained in the enclosed copy of order.

Yours faithfully

Copy of order dated 11.02.2026
along-with memo of parties.

Admn. Officer (J)/ (Crl.)
for Registrar General

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE, ROHINI COURTS, DELHI

No. 9159-9959..... Genl.I/F. 3(A)/N-W & N/RC/2026

Dated ..23/02/2026

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1. All Ld. Judicial Officers (POCSO Courts), N/W & North District, Rohini Courts, Delhi.
2. Ld. Secretary, DLSA, N-W & North, Rohini Courts, Delhi.
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North-West & North District
Rohini Court Complex, Delhi

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IN THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF DELHI, AT NEW DELHI
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 155 OF 2026

IN RE:

MAKSUD

APPELLANT

VERSUS

STATE OF N.C.T. DELHI

RESPONDENT

Sessions Case No. 334/2017

FIR No. 653/2017

U/s: 376(2)(h)(i)/376D/-

-506 IPC & 6 POCSO Act

P.S.: Nand Nagari

MEMO OF PARTIES

MAKSUD

S/o Sh. MAKBOOL

R/o VILLAGE BAHARAMPUR.

POLICE STATION GODA,

DISTRICT ALIGARH, U.P.

PRESENTLY LODGED IN MANDOLI JAIL NO.13

THROUGH PAROKAR

MS. SITARA

D/O MAKSUD

AGE 22 YEARS OLD

PRESENTLY R/O E-57/B125, SUNDAR NAGARI, DELHI-110093

APPELLANT

VERSUS

STATE OF N.C.T. DELHI

THROUGH

S.H.O.,

POLICE STATION NAND NAGRI

RESPONDENT

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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **CRL.A. 155/2026 & CRL.M.A. 4648/2026, CRL.M.(BAIL) 309/2026**

MAKSUD

.....Appellant

Through: Mr. Vipin Bansal, Adv.
versus

STATE OF NCT DELHI

.....Respondent

Through: Mr Aashneet Singh, APP for State
with Insp. Sandeep Kumar with SI
Dinesh Kumar, PS Nand Nagri.

CORAM:

JUSTICE PRATHIBA M. SINGH

JUSTICE SHAIL JAIN

ORDER

% **11.02.2026**

1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.

CRL.M.A. 4648/2026 (for exemption)

2. Allowed, subject to all just exceptions. Application is disposed of.

CRL.A. 155/2026 & CRL.M.(BAIL) 309/2026

3. The is an application filed by the Appellant seeking suspension of his sentence and release during the pendency of the appeal before the Court.

4. The instant appeal has been filed by the Appellant challenging the impugned judgment dated 3rd December, 2025, along with the order on sentence dated 8th December, 2025 wherein the Appellant has been convicted under Section 376(2)(h)(i)/376D/506 IPC and Section 6 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012. *Vide* the order on sentence, the Appellant has, *inter alia*, been sentenced to imprisonment for remainder of his life.

5. Admit the appeal **CRL.A. 155/2026**.



6. Issue notice to the Respondent in **CRL.M.(BAIL) 309/2026**. Mr. Ashneet Singh, Id. APP for the State accepts notice.
7. Let a reply/status report be filed by the State before the next date of hearing.
8. Let notice be issued to the survivor in this case as well through the concerned SHO.
9. The Registry is directed to requisition the TCR and prepare the appeal paperbook with proper indexing, pagination and bookmarks expeditiously. Let the TCR be tagged along with this appeal by the next date of hearing.
10. Let the Id. Counsels for the parties obtain the copy of the TCR, as also the paperbook, and make their submissions on the next date of hearing.
11. The physical TCR be also requisitioned to the Court on the next date of hearing by the Registry.
12. The latest nominal roll of the Appellant be requisitioned from the concerned Jail Superintendent by the next date of hearing.
13. Accordingly, let a copy of this order be communicated to the concerned Jail Superintendent by the Registry for necessary information and compliance.
14. Let the affidavit of past antecedents of the Appellant be also filed and a copy thereof be served upon the Id. APP for State for verification of the same.
15. It is further noted that in the impugned order on sentence, compensation has also been directed to be paid to the survivor.
16. Accordingly, notice is issued to the Secretary, District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Shahdara, to also file a status report as to the payment of



compensation to the survivor.

17. In a large number of matters, it is noticed that the compensation that is being awarded by the concerned Trial Courts is not being granted to the victims in rape cases, POCSO cases, as also in other criminal cases, such as murder, culpable homicide, etc.

18. During the course of proceedings in several cases before this Court when the concerned DLSAs have appeared, the consistent response in this regard has been that though the orders on sentence are passed by the Trial Court, where the compensation is awarded to the Victims, such orders are not communicated to the concerned DLSA.

19. This Court had, in **CRL.A. 475/2020** titled **Rampreet v. State**, taken cognizance of the issue pertaining to the gap in communication between the Trial Courts and various DLSAs, which leads to delay in disbursement of compensation to the victims. In the said matter, vide its order dated 18th December, 2024, the Court had observed as under:

“2. In the present case, the Court vide order dated 24th September, 2024 observed that there is a disconnect between Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (‘POCSO’) Courts and the concerned Delhi State Legal Service Authorities with regard to the manner in which victim compensation is being disbursed to survivors.

3. In view thereof, the Court on 4th October, 2024 passed the following directions:

“5. It is their submission that the orders passed by POCSO courts are not immediately communicated to the DSLSA. In this view of the matter, let the Secretary, DSLSA hold a meeting with all the DLSAs and the concerned Presiding Judges, POCSO Courts in each district to set up Standard Operating Procedure to prevent these delays. The



said meetings shall be held over the next six weeks.

6. Let a dedicated Email ID be created for each of the districts of Delhi Legal Service Authorities so that the POCSO Courts can communicate the orders of conviction or grant of interim and final compensation to the survivors within 24 hours after the order is pronounced.

7. Further, Let a flow chart be prepared explaining the manner in which the communication from the POCSO Courts to the concerned DLSAs shall take place and how the concerned DLSAs after release of the compensation would report back to the POCSO Courts upon compliance.

8. In this case, the notice to the survivor is stated to be served. Let a Counsel be made available through DHCLSC for the survivor, who shall also be ready for submissions before the next date of hearing.

9. Let the process for release of compensation to the survivor in this case be undertaken by the concerned DLSA. The DSLSA/DLSA is permitted to obtain the electronic copy of the Court Record of this case from the registry upon request.”

4. In view of the aforesaid directions, a report dated 7th December, 2024 has been filed by the Delhi State Legal Services Authority (‘DSLSA’).

5. The Court has perused the said report. As per the said report, a dedicated Email-ID has been created for each district, as demarcated by the DSLSA in order to receive the orders passed by POCSO Courts within 24 hours of the pronouncement of the judgment. The details of the said email IDs are set out below:

Name of the DLSA	Email ID
Central DLSA	centraldlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in



West DLSA	westdlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in
North DLSA	northdlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in
North West DLSA	nwdlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in
East DLSA	eastdlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in
North East DLSA	nedlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in
Shahdara DLSA	shahdaradlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in
New Delhi DLSA	newdelhidlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in
South DLSA	southdlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in
South East DLSA	sedlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in
South West DLSA	swdlsa-pocsovc@delhi.gov.in

6. In addition, it is submitted that pursuant to the directions passed by this Court, a communication has been issued on 25th October, 2024 by the Member Secretary, DSLSA to all the Principal District and Session Judges as also the Chairpersons of all the District Legal Service Authorities to intimate the Presiding Officers of POCSO Courts about the creation of the said email IDs. The communication further highlights the need for immediate intimation of the orders/judgments passed by the presiding officers of the POCSO Courts, with respect to compensation, to the DLSA, in order to avoid delays in the release of compensation. Consultations are also stated to be held between the Presiding Officers of POCSO Court and the Secretary, DSLSA.

7. The DSLSA has further informed the Court that the compensation of sum of Rs.10,50,000/- has been paid to the survivor. Finally, it is submitted that a proper Standard Operating Procedure ('SOP') has also been



prepared by the authority for the manner in which the compensation ought to be disbursed to the survivors in a time bound manner.

8. *The Court has perused the report. The creation of the email IDs and the interaction between the POCSO Courts and the Chairpersons of the concerned District Legal Services Authorities is a welcome move.*

9. *Insofar as the payment to the survivor in this case is concerned, the same is noted by the Court.*

10. *In respect of the Standard Operating Procedure, since the same is a detailed document, let the said document be placed before the concerned Administrative Committee of the High Court dealing with POCSO matters so that any modifications in the said SOP document can also be considered and if needed, can also be carried out before the same is notified. The DSLSA shall, accordingly, place the aforesaid SOP before the POCSO Committee of this Court. No further orders are required in respect of DSLSA's report. The DSLSA need not appear in this matter until further directions of this Court."*

20. Let the worthy Registrar General of this Court obtain a report from all the Principal District and Sessions Judges across all District Courts in Delhi upon the following aspects:

- i. What are the reasons why the communications are not being sent to the concerned DLSAs, of the orders on sentencing;
- ii. Whether the mechanism laid down by this Court in **Rampreet (supra)** for communicating orders on compensation passed by the Trial Courts in POCSO matters, to the concerned DLSAs is being followed by the District Courts or not;
- iii. Whether there exists a mechanism in cases other than POCSO matters



for communicating the orders on compensation passed by the Trial Court to the concerned DLSAs, similar to the one laid down by this Court in ***Rampreet (supra)***;

21. All the DLSAs shall also put up a report as to the manner in which the orders of compensation are being received and compensation is being processed for payment.
22. Copy of this order be sent to Secretaries of all District DLSAs, through the Secretary, DSLSA.
23. Copy of this order be communicated to Secretary, DSLSA by the Registry of this Court.
24. List on 7th April, 2026.

PRATHIBA M. SINGH, J.

SHAIL JAIN, J.

FEBRUARY 11, 2026/Rahul/ss