

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO.1368 OF 2026

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Kiran Jaiprakash Kuwar ...Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra & Ors. ...Respondents

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Mr. Pralhad Dnyanoba Bachate a/w Sanket Sonawane, Padmanabh Sangale & Onkar A. Wable, for the Applicant.

Ms. M. M. Deshmukh, Addl. PP, for the Respondent-State.

Mr. S. S. Hiray, GP & PP, present through Video Conferencing.

Mr. Sadanand Date, DGP, Maharashtra State, present through Video Conferencing.

Mr. Sachindra Pratap Singh, Commissioner, Education Department, Government of Maharashtra, present through Video Conferencing.

Mr. Sandeep Karnik, Commissioner of Police, Nashik, present through Video Conferencing.

ACP Sandeep Mitke, Crime Branch, Nashik City, present.

DySP Jyoti Karandikar, EOW, present.

PI Dattatray Chaudhari, EOW, Nashik Rural, present.

Mr. Mohinuddin Tashildar, Deputy Secretary, School Education Department, present.

CORAM: MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.

DATED: 23 SEPTEMBER 2026

PC:-

1. This Court passed the following Order on 22nd September 2026:

"1. This is a very serious matter concerning a scam involving Shalarth IDs, whereby bogus teachers were shown to have been appointed or although they were appointed subsequently their appointments have been shown from earlier dates. In many cases the appointments were shown about 10 years earlier than

the actual appointment and salaries were paid to them.

2. Approximately, more than 1,000 teaching and non-teaching staff are shown to have been appointed, and date of their appointments shown are almost 10 years old. However, in the Education Department of the State of Maharashtra, the proposals submitted by the heads of the respective education institutions are not traceable. In most of the cases, there is no record of the issuance of advertisements or of applications submitted by the candidates pursuant thereto for appointment. There is also no record of interviews having been conducted or of appointments made of such teachers, and yet approvals have been directly granted. Even the orders granting such approval do not mention these detail.

3. Thus, the magnitude of the scam is substantial, where more than 1,000 teaching/non-teaching staff, who are shown to be appointed about 10 years ago and, in fact, there is no record of their appointments have been paid salary. Despite this, the investigation is being conducted in defective manner.

4. The Criminal Anticipatory Bail Application No.1368 of 2026 filed by Dr. Kiran Jaiprakash Kuwar, who was the Education Officer at the relevant, shows that Mr. Mahendra Ramdas Patil was appointed with effect from 15th June 2016 and that salary was paid to him pursuant to the approval order dated 20th February 2024 passed by the Applicant. The Applicant was the Education Officer at the relevant time. The said approval was granted in respect to the proposal dated 27th September 2021 submitted by the Headmaster of M. F. Taral Vidyalay and M. R. Mahajan Jr. College, Anturli, Taluka Muktainagar, District Jalgaon. The file of said proposal maintained by the Education Department of the State of Maharashtra is not traceable.

5. Ms. Deshmukh, learned Additional Public Prosecutor, on instructions, submits that the files of all these approximately more than 1,000 teaching/non-

teaching staff who have been paid salary in this manner are not traceable in the Education Department of the State of Maharashtra.

6. In view of this position, the statement of the Headmaster of said M. F. Taral Vidyalay and M. R. Mahajan Jr. College, Anturli, Taluka Muktainagar, District Jalgaon, recorded by Police on 3rd July 2025, is very significant. It shows that what was sought was the date and details of the approval order and the details of the Shalarth ID Orders. In fact, what is required to be asked to him and documents to be sought are regarding the proposal on the basis of which the approval was granted including details regarding the date of issuance of advertisement, the approval obtained by the School Authorities for such advertisement, the number of candidates who applied to the school pursuant to such advertisement, the dates on which the interviews of such candidates were conducted, marks obtained by each candidate in such interviews, the details of selection process of the candidates declared successful and their appointment letters. The relevant information also shall contain details regarding the staffing pattern, the manner in which the vacancy arose, the eligibility of the candidates, their applications, the selection process and the appointments orders.

7. It is unfortunate that, despite the scam being of a huge magnitude and involving crores of rupees, prima facie the State of Maharashtra is not conducting the investigation properly.

8. ***The learned Additional Public Prosecutor, on instructions, states that the records of almost all these 1,000 appointments are not traceable in the Education Department.***

9. ACP Sandeep Mitke, who is present in Court, states that he has been appointed as Investigating Officer only on 13th August 2026 and prior to his appointment, the Investigating Officers had been changed from time to time.

10. Accordingly, the Director General of Police, the Secretary, Education Department and Commissioner for Education shall appear through Video Conferencing.

*11. Stand over to **23rd September 2026 at 03:00 pm.***

12. Ad-interim relief, if any, to continue till the next date.”

(Emphasis added)

2. Pursuant to above Order, today, Mr. Sadanand Date, DGP, State of Maharashtra and Mr. Sachindra Pratap Singh, Commissioner of Education, are present through Video Conferencing.

3. Mr. Date, DGP, states that effective steps will be taken to supervise the investigation by very senior officers of the Police Department and looking to the gravity of the offence effective and elaborate investigation will be carried out under the supervision of the higher officials.

4. Mr. Hiray, learned Public Prosecutor who appears through Video Conferencing also submitted that effective steps will be taken for conducting thorough investigation. He submits that apart from the public money involved in the crime quality of education is also affected if such type of teachers/non-teaching staff is appointed.

5. Mr. Sachindra Pratap Singh, Education Commissioner gave information regarding steps taken by the State of Maharashtra so that such appointment of teachers/non-teaching staff by Schools/Educational Institutions is completely stopped.

6. Heard Mr. Bachate, learned Counsel appearing for the Applicant and Ms. Deshmukh, learned Additional PP for the Respondent-State of Maharashtra as regards the merits of the Anticipatory Bail Application No.1368 of 2026.

7. By the said Anticipatory Bail Application filed under Section 482 of the *Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023*, the Applicant is seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with CR No.164 of 2025 registered with Nashik Road Police Station, Nashik City, for the offences punishable under Sections 3(5), 340(2), 338, 336(3), 318(4) and 316(5) of the *Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023* (“BNS”).

8. The FIR has been lodged on the basis of the statement of Mr. Bhausahab Bhikanrao Chavan, Deputy Director of Education.

9. Ms. Deshmukh, learned Addl. PP for the Respondent-State of Maharashtra, states that the subject FIR is concerning

appointments of about 96 teaching/non-teaching staff in various Schools/Educational Institutions which are in the jurisdiction of Nashik Division. There are about 125 Accused. Learned Additional PP submits that, in fact during investigation role of the First Informant who is the Deputy Director of Education is also seen.

10. As per the prosecution case relevant for deciding this Anticipatory Bail Application, the appointments of Mr. Mahendra Ramdas Patil (Clerk) and of Mrs. Priya Dipak Mhasane (Assistant Teacher/Shikshan Sevak) Mrs. Pallavi Rahul Mahajan (Assistant Teacher/Shikshan Sevak) and Mrs. Priyanka Vishwanath Salunke (Assistant Teacher/Shikshan Sevak), who are shown to have been appointed from 15th June 2016/1st July 2015/1st July 2015 and 1st June 2016 respectively, were never appointed on those dates and inspite of this a proposal has been sent on 27th September 2021 with respect to the appointment of Mr. Mahendra Ramdas Patil and on 10th December 2021 with respect to the appointments of said Mrs. Priya Dipak Mhasane, Mrs. Pallavi Rahul Mahajan and Mrs. Priyanka Vishwanath Salunke, by the Headmaster of M. F. Taral Vidyalaya and M. R. Mahajan Jr. College, Anturli, Taluka Muktainagar, District Jalgaon. By showing these appointments

from those dates, approval has been granted by the Applicant to these appointments by approval dated 20th February 2024 bearing Outward No.972 of 2024 for appointment of said Mahendra Ramdas Patil as Clerk (Page 331) and also granted approval to appointment of said Mrs. Priya Dipak Mhasane (Assistant Teacher/Shikshan Sevak) Mrs. Pallavi Rahul Mahajan (Assistant Teacher/Shikshan Sevak) and Mrs. Priyanka Vishwanath Salunke (Assistant Teacher/Shikshan Sevak) by approval dated 20th February 2024 bearing same Outward No.972 of 2024 (Page 325). On the basis of said approval orders, Shalarth IDs have been created and the payment was made to these teachers/non-teaching staff from the said dates of appointments.

11. Ms. Deshmukh, learned Additional Public Prosecutor relying on the letter dated 9th February 2026 of the Education Officer (Secondary), Zilla Parishad, Jalgaon, submitted that the record of these teachers/non-teaching staff is not available in the office of the Education Officer.

12. On the other hand, Mr. Bachate, learned Counsel, submits that the Applicant has issued only one order of granting an

approval dated 20th February 2024 (Page 331) which is in favour of Mr. Mahendra Ramdas Patil as Clerk and the approval is given from 15th June 2016. He submitted that the approval order allegedly signed by the present Applicant dated 20th February 2024 approving the appointment of Mrs. Priya Dipak Mhasane (w.e.f. 1st July 2015), Mrs. Pallavi Rahul Mahajan (w.e.f. 1st July 2015) and Mrs. Priyanka Vishwanath Salunke (w.e.f. 1st June 2015), as Assistant Teachers/Shikshan Sevaks (Page 325) is forged and fabricated approval order with which the Applicant is not at all concerned. It is, therefore, submitted that the anticipatory bail application be allowed.

13. The record shows that the Applicant is Deputy Education Inspector in the Office of the Deputy Director of Education from 25th August 2020 till 3rd October 2024. The Applicant was holding additional charge as Education Officer (Secondary) (Additional Charge), Zilla Parishad, Jalgaon for four months and during said period the said approval dated 20th February 2024 was given.

14. It is significant to note that approval order dated 20th

February 2024 (Page 331) which according to learned Counsel appearing for the Applicant is genuine order, although at Serial No.13, makes reference to the Office Sanction Note, however, the same is kept blank. Said Page Nos.331 and 332 are scanned and reproduced herein below for ready reference:

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महाराष्ट्र शासन
शिक्षणाधिकारी (माध्य) कार्यालय
जिल्हा परिषद, जळगांव
जुनी जिल्हा परिषद इमारत, जळगांव



फोन नंबर ०२५७ २२२२९७९

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वाचा :-

१. मुख्याध्यापक, मि फ तराळ माध्यमिक व मं रा महाजन क महाविद्यालय, अंतुली ता मुक्ताईनगर जि जळगांव यांच्याकडील प्रस्ताव जा.क्र. ६०/२०२१-२२ दि. २७/०९/२०२१
२. महाराष्ट्र खाजगी शाळांतील कर्मचारी (सेवेच्या शर्ती) नियमावली १९८९.
३. महाराष्ट्र शासन, वित्त विभाग शासन निर्णय क्र. पदनी/२०२२/प्र.क्र. २/२०२२/आ.पु.क. दि. ३१ ऑक्टोबर २०२२
४. शालेय शिक्षण व क्रीडा विभाग, शासन निर्णय क्र. एसएसएन-२०१५/प्र.क्र. १२/टीएनटी-२ दि. २८ जानेवारी २०१९
५. शालेय शिक्षण व क्रीडा विभाग, शासन निर्णय क्र. संकिर्ण-२०२२/प्र.क्र. ५८/टीएनटी-१ दि. ७ फेब्रुवारी २०२३
६. शालेय शिक्षण व क्रीडा विभाग, शासन निर्णय क्र. शालार्थ ११९८/प्र.क्र. ३०/टीएनटी-३ दि. १० जून २०२२
७. शालेय शिक्षण व क्रीडा विभाग, शासन निर्णय क्र. एसएसएन/१०९९/(३४०)/९९/माशि-२ दि. २७ एप्रिल २०००
८. शालेय शिक्षण व क्रीडा विभाग, शासन निर्णय क्र. एसएसएन/१०९९/(३४०)/९९/माशि-२ दि. १३ ऑक्टो. २०००
९. शालेय शिक्षण व क्रीडा विभाग, शासन निर्णय क्र. एसएसएन/२६०३/(४१/०३)/माशि-२ दि. २५ नोव्हेंबर २००५
१०. शालेय शिक्षण व क्रीडा विभाग, शासन निर्णय क्र. एसएसएन-२०१५/प्र.क्र. १२/टीएनटी-२ दि. ७ मार्च २०१९
११. मा. शिक्षणसंचालक (माध्य. उच्च माध्य.) म. रा. पुणे यांचे पत्र उच्च माध्य. २८६/शिक्षकेतर/२०१९/४७४९ दि. १२/७/२०१९
१२. मा. शिक्षणसंचालक (माध्य. उच्च माध्य.) म. रा. पुणे यांचे पत्र जा.क्र. शिक्षकेतरकर्मचारी/पदे अनुज्ञेय/टे-४ /२०२१/७४७ १ मार्च २०२१ (अ.क्र. ४१०)
१३. कार्यालयीन मंजूर टिपणी दि. १ / २०२४

आवेष्ट

जा.क्र. शिक्षण/माध्य/एस-४/लि.से.मा/ ७१२ /२०२४
दिनांक २०/०२/२०२४

उपरोक्त वाचा संदर्भ १ ते १३ अन्वये संस्थेने/शाळेने सादर केलेल्या प्रस्तावाच्या नुसार खाली नमूद केलेल्या कर्मचाऱ्यास त्याचे नावा समोर दर्शविलेल्या वेतनश्रेणी/मानधनावर नमूद दिनांकापासून नमूद कालावधीसाठी मान्यता देण्यात येत आहे.
(बिगर अल्पसंख्याक) मराठी माध्यम

क्र.	संबंधित शिक्षकाचे नाव	पदनाम	शैक्षणिक व व्यावसायिक अर्हता	प्रवर्ग	मानधन	मान्यता दिनांक पासून पर्यंत	शेरा
१	श्री महेंद्र रामदास पाटील	लिपिक सेवक	एच.एस.सी.	इमाव	रु. २५०००/-	दि. १५/६/२०१६ ते दि. १४/०६/२०१९	नेमणूक दिनांकापासून लिपिक सेवक म्हणून नमूद मानधनावर ३ वर्षे कालावधीसाठी मान्यता अग्रगण्यता.

वरील मान्यता खालील अटी/शर्तीचे अधीन राहून देण्यात येत आहे.

१. वर नमूद केलेले पदे हे आपल्या शाळेत संबंधित नियमाप्रमाणे अनुज्ञेय असून त्याप्रमाणे कर्मचारी अनुसूचित मंजूर केलेले असले पाहिजे.
२. वर मान्यता दिलेले कर्मचारी हे विहित नियमाप्रमाणे शैक्षणिक पात्रता धारण करतात व नियमाप्रमाणे वयाची अट पूर्ण करतात. महाराष्ट्र खाजगी शाळा (सेवा शर्ती) नियमावली १९८९ नुसार व उपरोक्त संदर्भित शासन निर्णयानुसार त्यांच्या सेवा असतील.
३. वर मान्यता दिलेल्या कर्मचाऱ्यांना मंजूर केलेली वेतनश्रेणी/मानधन हे विहित नियमाप्रमाणे अनुज्ञेय आहे.
४. प्रत्येक वर्षी कर्मचारीसूची मंजूरित वरील कर्मचाऱ्याची पदे मंजूर असली पाहिजे. ज्या कर्मचाऱ्यांची पदे पुढील वर्षी अथवा पुढील कोणत्याही वर्षी कर्मचारीसूचीत मंजूर होणार नाहीत त्यांच्या नेमणूका व मान्यता आपोआप रद्द होतील.

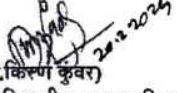
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Tal-Muktainagar, Dist-Jalgaon

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५. वरील सर्व नेमणूक या अनुदानित तुकड्यावर केलेल्या आहेत असेगृहीत धरूनच मान्यता दिलेल्या आहेत. विनाअनुदानित तुकडीवरील केलेल्या नेमणूकांना वेतन अनुदान देण्याची जबाबदारी या कार्यालयाची नाही.
६. सदरहू मान्यता आदेश प्राप्त झाल्यापासूनसहा महिन्यांच्या आत जात वैधता प्रमाणपत्र सादर करावे, तसे न केल्यास सदरहू मान्यता आदेश रद्द समजण्यात येईल.
७. सदरची मान्यता हि अनुशेष पूर्णकरण्याची अटीवर मान्यता देता येत आहे.
८. वरील सर्व अटीची पूर्तताहोते किंवा कसे याची पडताळणी मुख्याध्यापक यांनी स्वतः करून घ्यावी. सादर केलेल्या माहितीत तफावत आढळून आल्यास दिलेली मान्यता कोणतीही पूर्व सूचना न देता रद्दकरण्यात येईल व त्याची सर्वस्वी जबाबदारी संस्थाचालक/मुख्याध्यापक यांची राहिल याची नोंद घ्यावी.


(डॉ. किशन कुंबर)

शिक्षणाधिकारी (माध्य) (अति.कार्य.)
जिल्हा परिषद, जळगांव

प्रत - माहितीस्तव सविनय सादर

१) मा. आयुक्त(शिक्षण) शिक्षण आयुक्तालय, महाराष्ट्र राज्य, पुणे-१

प्रत माहितीव कार्यवाहीस्तव

१) अधीक्षक, वेतन व भविष्य निर्वाह निधी पथक (माध्यमिक) जिल्हा परिषद, जळगांव

२) अध्यक्ष/सचिव जनता शिक्षण प्रसारक मंडळ अंतुली ता मुक्ताईनगर जि जळगांव.

३) मुख्याध्यापक, मि फ तराळ माध्यमिक व मं रा महाजन क महाविद्यालय, अंतुली ता मुक्ताईनगर जि जळगांव

४) संबंधीत लिपिक- महेंद्र रामदास पाटील, मि फ तराळ माध्यमिक व मं रा महाजन क महाविद्यालय, अंतुली ता मुक्ताईनगर जि जळगांव

15. As already noted, the proposal for the approval of said Mr. Mahendra Ramdas Patil as also the papers concerning the appointment of about more than 1,000 teaching/non-teaching staff are not traceable in the relevant Education Department.

16. In this background of the matter, it is significant to note that, as it has been observed in the Order dated 22nd September 2026 passed by this Court that the papers are not traceable of the

proposal, learned Counsel for the Applicant tenders one Office Note dated 11th March 2024. He submits that the Applicant has procured this Office Note from the Office of the Deputy Director of Education. It is surprising and shocking that when this matter was argued yesterday these documents were not produced. These documents are produced for the first time today after this Court passed Order dated 23rd September 2026 which is set out herein above.

17. Perusal of the said Office Note dated 11th March 2024 shows that the same has not been approved. On many pages blanks are to be found in the documents annexed to the said note. There is no Outward Number and no signatures appears. There is nothing to show that said Office Note is approved.

18. The said Office Note along with the annexures is taken on record and marked “X” for identification and the same is paginated from Pages 1 to 59. Few of the documents (Pages 1 to 59) showing that, prima facie, these documents are forged and fabricated are set out herein below:

i. Copy of letter dated 6th March 2024 issued by the present

Applicant addressed to the Deputy Director of Education (Page 9 of compilation produced by the Applicant) is scanned and reproduced herein below:

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महाराष्ट्र शासन
शिक्षणाधिकारी (माध्यमिक)
शिक्षण विभाग, जिल्हा परिषद जळगाव-४२५००९

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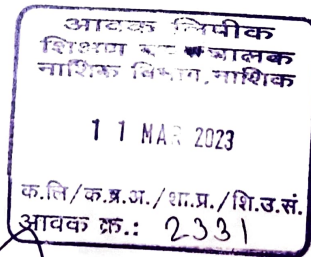
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प्रति,
शिक्षण उपसंचालक
नाशिक विभाग नाशिक

विषय :- शालार्थ प्रणालीतकर्मच्या-याचे नाव समाविष्ट करणेस परवाणगी मिळणेबाबतचा प्रस्ताव सादर करणेबाबत.

संदर्भ :- १) अधीक्षक, वेतन व भविष्य निर्वाह निधी पथक (माध्यमिक) जळगाव यांचे जा. क्र. वेभनिप / माध्य/ जळगाव/शालार्थ परवाणगी/२०२४/३८० दिनांक २३/०२/२०२४
२) मा. आयुक्त (शिक्षण) महाराष्ट्र राज्य, पुणे यांचे पत्र क्र./ आशि/ ईगव्/सेल/ २०१६/५९ दिनांक १८/११/२०१६ चे पत्र

उपरोक्त संदर्भित पत्रान्वये अधीक्षक वेतन व भविष्य निर्वाह निधी पथक (माध्यमिक) जळगाव यांनी मुख्याध्यापक, मि.फ. तराळ विद्यालय, अंतुर्ली ता. मुक्ताईनगर जि. जळगाव यांनी श्री. महेंद्र रामदास पाटील लिपिक सेवक या अनुदानित पदावर शालार्थ मध्ये नाव समाविष्ट करणेबाबतचा प्रस्ताव या कार्यालयास सादर केलेला आहे. सदर प्रस्तावातील श्री. महेंद्र रामदास पाटील, लिपिक सेवक यांना या कार्यालयाकडून वैयक्तीक मान्यता प्रदान केलेली असून त्यांचे शालार्थ प्रणालित नांव समाविष्ट करण्यासाठी प्रस्ताव सादर करण्यात येत आहे. कृपया प्रस्ताव स्विकृत होणेस विनंती.



(डॉ. किशोर केवडे)
शिक्षणाधिकारी (माध्य.)
जिल्हा परिषद जळगाव.

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The same clearly shows that although the said letter is dated 6th March 2024, the same is received on 11th March 2023.

ii. There is certificate (Page 10) given by the present Applicant for inclusion of the name of said Mahendra Ramdas Patil in the Shalarth ID Pranali. The said certificate is undated. The same is scanned and reproduced herein below:

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महाराष्ट्र शासन

शिक्षणाधिकारी (माध्यमिक)

शिक्षण विभाग, जिल्हा परिषद जळगाव-४२५००९

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प्रमाणपत्र

प्रमाणित करण्यात येते की, मुख्याध्यापक, मि.फ. तराळ विद्यालय, अंतुर्ली ता. मुक्ताईनगर जि. जळगाव यांनी श्री. महेंद्र रामदास पाटील, लिपिक सेवक यांचा शालार्थ आयडी मिळणेबाबतचा प्रस्ताव या कार्यालयास सादर केलेला आहे.

सदरचा प्रस्ताव पडताळणी करून श्री. महेंद्र रामदास पाटील यांना या कार्यालयाचे आदेश क्र. जा.क्र. शिक्षण/माध्य/एस-४/लि.से.मा./९७२/२०२४ दिनांक २०/०२/२०२४ अन्वये मान्यता दिलेली आहे. सदर प्रस्ताव तपासून मी प्रपत्र अ, ब, क वर माझी स्वाक्षरी केली आहे. तसेच सदर प्रस्तावातील मान्यता आदेशावरील स्वाक्षरी माझीच आहे. तशी मी खात्री केलेली आहे. तरी श्री. महेंद्र रामदास पाटील, लिपिक सेवक यांचे नाव शालार्थ प्रणालीमध्ये समाविष्ट करण्यास शिफारस आहे.


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जिल्हा परिषद, जळगाव.

iii. The proposal forwarded by the concerned School for inclusion of name of said Mahendra Ramdas Patil in Shalarth ID Pranali (Page 13) is also undated. There is alteration. A scanned copy of the same is reproduced herein below:

मि. फ. तराळ विद्यालय व मं. रा. महाजन क. महाविद्यालय
 अंतुर्ली ता. मुक्ताईनगर जि. जळगांव (13)
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 जा.क्र. दिनांक

प्रति,
 म. शिक्षण उपसंचालक सो
 माध्यमिक व उच्च माध्यमिक विभाग
 २. व्दारा म. शिक्षणाधिकारी सो (माध्य)
 ३. मा. वेतन अधीक्षक सो (माध्य)
 ता. जि.जळगांव

विषय - शालार्थ प्रणालीमध्ये नांव समाविष्ट करणे बाबत.....

महाशय,

आमच्या माध्यमिक विभागातील ~~उपसंचालक~~ ^{क. त्रिफळ} श्री/श्रीमती महेंद्र रामदास पाटील (बीकॉम.) यांना क. लिपीक सेवकपदी म.शिक्षणाधिकारी सो. जि.प. जळगांव यांच्या कडून वैयक्तीक मान्यता मिळालेली आहे. परंतु शालार्थ प्रणालीमध्ये नांव समाविष्ट करणे कामी प्रस्ताव पाठवीत आहोत कृपया स्वीकृत होणेस नम्र विनंती.

आपला विश्वासु


 Head Master.
 M.F.Tara Vidyalaya, Anturli
 Tal. M. Jaisinagar, Dist. Jalgaon

iv. Although in the approval order dated 20th February 2024 admittedly issued by the Applicant honorarium/remuneration of Rs.25,000/- per month of said Mahendra Ramdas Patil has been shown in the alleged proposal of the School (Pages 16-17) the same is shown as Rs.8,000/- per month.

The above are few examples of the fraudulent nature of documents.

19. It is very clear that in view of the Order dated 22nd September 2026 passed by this Court, the Applicant is creating fabricated documents for the purpose of making submission that documents mentioned in the said order are available.

20. The Supreme Court in the decision of *State Rep. by the C.B.I. v. Anil Sharma*¹, has held that the custodial interrogation is qualitatively more elicitation-oriented than questioning a suspect who is well ensconced with a favourable order under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 i.e. Section 482 of BNSS. The effective interrogation of suspected person is of tremendous advantage in disinterring many useful information and also

1 (1997) 7 SCC 187

materials which would have been concealed. Success in such interrogation would elude if the suspected person knows that he is well protected and insulted by a pre-arrest bail during the time he interrogated. The said observations of the Supreme Court are squarely applicable to the present case. Thus, for effective interrogation of a suspected person in a serious case, custodial interrogation is necessary.

21. It is settled legal position that grant of anticipatory bail is very extraordinary remedy. The said power is not to be used in regular course.

22. As noted earlier, the offence is very serious where large number of teaching/non-teaching staff have been shown to be appointed from the year 2015-16 and the arrears of salaries running into crores of rupees have been paid to them, however, there is no record available with the Education Department on the basis of which the approvals are granted.

23. It is even the contention of learned Counsel for the Applicant that approval order issued in favour of Mrs. Priya Dipak Mhasane,

Mrs. Pallavi Rahul Mahajan and Mrs. Priyanka Vishwanath Salunke
(Pages 325-326) is a fabricated order.

24. Thus, in the facts and circumstances, no case is made out for
grant of anticipatory bail.

25. Accordingly, the Anticipatory Bail Application is rejected.

[MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.]