

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO.625 OF 2019

Pratima Vidyadhar Karlekar] ... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra.] ... Respondent

Ms. Maya S. Updeshe a/w Ms. Sana Shaikh for Applicant.
Ms. Sharmila S. Kaushik, APP for State.
API Jagdand attached to Karjat Police Station.

CORAM :- SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.
DATE :- 04 JUNE, 2019

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1. The applicant is seeking anticipatory bail in connection with C.R. No.210/2018 registered with Karjat Police Station, District Raigad u/sec. 420, 406 r/w 34 of I.P.C.

2. The FIR is lodged by one Priti Gupta who is residing at Karjat. She was acquainted with the present applicant as both of them were working in the same company. Thereafter the present applicant introduced the first informant to one Jayashree Kapardekar. It is

further mentioned in the FIR that on 15/04/2018, the present applicant and Jayashree Kapardekar came to the house of first informant. At that time Jayashree Kapardekar told the first informant about a scheme through which the first informant could make groups of women. These ladies were expected to make paper bags for which they would get a reasonable amount. The FIR further mentions that on different occasions Jayashree Kapardekar collected in all Rs.50,127/- from 77 ladies. In July 2018 an amount of Rs.17,140/- were distributed amongst them. Thereafter the further amount was misappropriated and nothing was paid to them. Thus, there was offence of cheating and criminal breach of trust.

3. Considering the entire allegations in the FIR, the only role attributed to the present applicant is that she introduced the main accused to the first informant. From the FIR there is nothing to show that the present applicant was involved in the offence in any manner and therefore she deserves to be granted anticipatory bail. Hence, the following order.

ORDER

1. In the event of her arrest in connection with C.R.No.210 of 2018 registered with Karjat Police Station, District Raigad the Applicant be released on bail on her executing P.R. Bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only) with one or two sureties in the like amount.
2. Application stands disposed of accordingly.

(SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.)