

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO.700 OF 2019

Gajanan Gotiram Pedvi

...Applicant

Vs.

State of Maharashtra

...Respondent

**Mr. Laxman Deshmukh a/w. Govind Solanke I/b PNP and
Associates, for the Applicant.**

Ms. S. S. Kaushik, for the State.

CORAM : SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.

DATE : JUNE 28, 2019

P.C.:

1. The applicant is seeking anticipatory bail in connection with C.R. No.22/2019 registered with Wadkhal Police Station, District Raigad under Sections 143, 147, 327, 336, 323, 504 and 506 of IPC.

2. The allegations are made by the first informant Narendra Patil in his FIR that he is a contractor and he was given contract to remove old pipeline from Kharpada village to Gadab village. However, because of the technical difficulties, they were

laying new pipeline within the limits of Karavi village. On 19/2/2019, since morning when the first informant's employees were doing that work of laying new pipeline in the area, around 6.45 p.m. the present applicant and four known and other unknown persons came there and started abusing the informant's employees. The first informant reached there and he told his employees if people have any objection they should not continue their work. It is the allegation of the first informant that at that time all of them assaulted him with fist and kick blows. There are other allegations that the present applicant snatched the golden chain which was worn by the first informant.

3. I have heard Mr. Deshmukh for the applicant and Ms. Kaushik, Ld. APP for the State.

4. The FIR reveals that there was some quarrel on the land where the first informant's employees were laying new pipeline. It was the grievance of the present applicant that his property was damaged and therefore there was quarrel. The

entire incident appears to be result of a quarrel because the applicant was aggrieved as his land was damaged. The only serious part in the FIR is of snatching of gold chain. The applicant and others mainly had objection for laying the pipeline. However, apart from Section 327 no other sections are applied in this case till date. The FIR is lodged in February. The applicant has attended the Police Station.

5. Looking at the nature of allegations in the FIR, in my considered view instead of custodial interrogation, the applicant can be directed to co-operate with the police in their investigation. Hence, the following order.

ORDER

1. In the event of his arrest, the applicant is directed to be released on bail in connection with C.R. No. 22/2019 registered with Wadkhal Police Station, District Raigad on his executing P.R. Bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rs.Twenty Five Thousand Only) with one or two sureties in the like amount.

2. The applicant shall attend the concerned Police Station from 8/7/2019 to 18/7/2019 between 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. and shall co-operate with the investigation.

3. The application is disposed of.

(SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.)