

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

**ANT. BAIL APPLICATION NO.171 OF 2021
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.729 OF 2021**

Archana Anil Kumar Rao ... Applicant
Vs
The State of Maharashtra ... Respondents

**WITH
ANT. BAIL APPLICATION NO.176 OF 2021
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.732 OF 2021**

Pramod Kumar Raj Kumar Singh ...Applicant
@ Mandal
Vs
The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent

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Mr. Prathamesh Gaikwad for the Applicants.
Mr. H.J.Dedhia, APP for the Respondent-State.
Mr. Hitesh Shah for Intervenor in Interim Applications.

CORAM : SANDEEP K. SHINDE J.
DATE : 11th AUGUST, 2021.

P.C. :

Applicants are seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with the Crime No.631 of 2020 registered with Aarey Police Station for the offences punishable under Sections 408, 409, 420, 465, 468, 120B, 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Section 66(D) of the Information Technology Act, 2000.

2 Applicants and the complainant are near relatives. Complainant-Rajkumar Anilkumar Rao is a director of Minthunt Advisory Private Ltd. Applicant- Pramod Kumar Singh is brother-in-law of Rajkumar; whereas applicant-Archana is wife of Pramod Kumar.

3 Complainant and the applicants have settled the disputes and arrived at amicable settlement. Terms of the settlement are reduced into writing dated 11th August, 2021. It is taken on record and marked **‘X-1’ for Identification.** The complainant admits the terms of the

settlement. In terms of the settlement, in my view, custodial interrogation of the applicants shall not further the prosecution case.

4 For the reasons stated above, applications are granted. Hence, the following order:

ORDER

(i) In the event of arrest of the applicants in Crime No.631 of 2020 registered with Aarey Police Station, they shall be released on executing PR bond for the sum of Rs.25,000/- each with one or more sureties in like sum.

(ii) The applicants shall join the investigation as and when called.

5 The applications and interim applications therein are disposed of .

6 It is made clear that observations made here-in-above be construed as expression of opinion for the purpose of bail only and the same shall not in any way influence the trial in other proceedings.

(SANDEEP K. SHINDE, J.)