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

ANT. BAIL APPLICATION NO.244 OF 2021

1 Mr. Ajit Shrinath Singh
2 Mr. Vijay Shrinath Singh ... Applicants
Vs
The State of Maharashtra & Anr. ... Respondents
...

Mr. Sanjeev Kadam i/by Mr. Prashant Raut for the Applicant.
Mrs. Sharmila Kaushik, APP for the Respondent-State.
Mr. Ramchandra B. Prajapati, Original Complainant present.

CORAM : SANDEEP K. SHINDE J.
DATE : 24th FEBRUARY, 2021.

P.C. :

Heard Mr. Kadam, learned counsel for the applicants and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State. Also heard Ramchandra Lalbahadur Prajapati, Complainant in Crime No.86 of 2020.

2 Applicants sought pre-arrest protection in connection with Crime No.I-86 of 2020 registered with CBD Police Station, Navi Mumbai for the offences punishable under Sections 420, 406 read with Section 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.

3 On 27th August, 2020 this Court granted interim pre-arrest protection to the applicants on assurance that they would deposit Rs.17 Lakhs in the registry of this Court on or before 4th September, 2020.

4 Admittedly, applicants did not deposit the amount as assured, and, therefore, vide order dated 16th September, 2020, interim pre-arrest protection granted to the applicants, was withdrawn.

5 Mr. Kadam, learned counsel for the applicants submits that the applicants are willing to deposit Rs.17

Lakhs in the Registry of this Court. As such, they have tendered two Demand Drafts drawn in favour of Registrar of the High Court, Appellate Side, Bombay for Rs.17 Lakhs.

6 In consideration of the facts aforesaid, the applicants are directed to deposit Demand Drafts in the Registry today.

7 Mr. Kadam on instructions submits that applicants have no objection if the amount of Rs.17 Lakhs is withdrawn by the complainant, Mr. Ramchandra Bahadurlal Prajapati. Statement is accepted.

8 In consideration of the facts aforesaid, application is allowed and the applicants are directed to be released on bail in Crime No.I-86 of 2020 registered with CBD Police Station, Navi Mumbai on executing PR bond in the sum of Rs.30,000/- each, with one or more sureties in the like amount.

9 The applicants shall furnish their permanent residential address and contact number to the Investigating Officer forthwith.

10 The applicants shall not tamper with the evidence or attempt to influence or contact the complainant, witnesses or any person concerned with the case.

11 Complainant, Ramchandra Bahadurlal Prajapati is granted liberty to withdraw the sum of Rs.17 Lakhs deposited by the applicants in the Registry of this Court. If an application is made by him, Registry shall process the same at the earliest and pay Rs.17 Lakhs to the complainant.

12 It is clarified that the applicants have deposited Rs.17 Lakhs without prejudice to their rights and contentions.

13 The application is accordingly allowed and disposed of.

(SANDEEP K. SHINDE, J.)