



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY,
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR.**

CRIMINAL APPLICATION (ABA) NO.53 OF 2024

(Ravi Venkatswami Kondawar Vs. State of Maharashtra)

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of
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or directions and Registrar's order

Court's or Judge's Order

Ms G.S. Jain, Advocate h/f Mr. S.V. Sirpurkar, Advocate for the applicant.
Mr. N. Autkar, APP for the State.

CORAM:- URMILA JOSHI-PHALKE, J.
DATED :- MARCH 20, 2024.

Heard.

2. By this application, the applicant is seeking pre-arrest bail. The applicant is apprehending arrest at the hands of police in connection with POR No. 01/2023, registered with Forest Circle Etapalli, Bharmagad, District Gadchiroli, for the offence punishable under Sections, 9, 39, 48, 49-A, 50 and 51 of the Wild Life Protection Act, 1972.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant submitted that the accused is implicated in the alleged offence only on the basis of the statement of the co-accused which is a confessional statement. As far as the present applicant is concerned who is not at all concerned with the alleged offence. The notice under Section 41-A of the Code of Criminal Procedure is also issued to the present applicant and he has attended the police station and cooperated with the investigating agency. Considering the fact that the offence alleged is punishable with less than 7 years

imprisonment and the applicant has already cooperated with the investigating agency. The anticipatory bail granted to the present applicant deserves to be confirmed. Accordingly, I proceed to pass following order:

- (i) The application is allowed.
- (ii) In the event of arrest, the applicant - Ravi Venkatswami Kondawar in connection with POR No.01/2023, registered with Forest Circle Etapalli, Bharmagad, District Gadchiroli, for the offence punishable under Sections, 9, 39, 48, 49-A, 50 and 51 of the Wild Life Protection Act, 1972, be released on anticipatory bail on executing a P.R.Bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- with one solvent surety, in the like amount.
- (iii) The applicant shall attend the ACF Bhamragad, Forest Department, Taluka Bhamragad, District-Gadchiroli on Sunday between 10.00 a.m. and 01.00 p.m. and shall cooperate with the investigating agency.
- (iv) The applicant shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement and threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the present case.

4. The application is disposed of.

(URMILA JOSHI-PHALKE, J.)