



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

942 ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 108 OF 2025

PRATIK BHASKAR DHAGE

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA

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Advocate for Applicant : Mr. Kulkarni Suvidh S.

APP for Respondent/State: Mr. B. B. Bhise

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CORAM : ARUN R. PEDNEKER, J.

DATE : 06.02.2025

P.C. :

1] Heard learned counsel for the applicant and the learned APP for the respondent-State.

2] The applicant is apprehending arrest in connection with Crime No.459/2024, dated 29.12.2024, registered at Kallamb Police Station, District Dharashiv, for the offences punishable under Sections 63(a), 64(2)(m), 351(2) of the BNS.

3] This court by order dated 23.01.2025, prima facie, considering that there is consensual relations between the applicant and the victim has granted interim protection to the applicant. The applicant is aged about 20 years and victim is aged about 21 years.

4] The learned APP, today, produced the medical report and Section 183 BNSS statement. From the same, it appears that the victim has maintained the relations with the applicant in the month of July 2024, thereafter, in the month of September 2024 and again in the month of November 2024.

5] Considering that the relations are over the period of time, the possibility that they are consensual cannot be ruled out, more particularly, when there are Whatsapp chats and exchange of general photographs between the parties.

6] In view of the above, the interim protection granted by order dated 23.01.2025 stands confirmed, on the following terms:

i] The applicant shall attend the police station as and when required by the Investigating Officer.

ii] The applicant shall not tamper with the evidence of the prosecution in any manner. He shall not influence the informant, witnesses and other persons concerned with the case.

iii] The applicant shall co-operate with the investigation and also in the proceedings before the trial Court.

iv] The applicant shall not contact the informant.

7] In the event, the applicant violates any of the conditions specified in this order, it shall be liable to be cancelled.

8] It is also clarified that the observations made in this order are limited to the disposal of the present anticipatory bail application and the trial Court shall proceed further in the matter without being influenced by the observations made hereinabove.

9] The application stands disposed of.

[ARUN R. PEDNEKER]
JUDGE

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