



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

BAIL APPLICATION NO. 235 OF 2025

1. Shrikant s/o Venkatrao Dhondge
Age 25 years, Occu: Agri,
R/o Valsang, Taluka Bhalki,
District Bidar.
2. Shahaji s/o Falgun Jadhav,
Age 27 years, Occu: Agri,
R/o Aajni, Taluka Deoni,
District Latur.

... Applicants
(Accused)

Versus

The State of Maharashtra,
Through P.I. Police Station Udgir Rural,
Taluka Udgir, District Latur.

... Respondent

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Mr. G. D. Kale, Advocate for the Applicants.
Mr. C. V. Bhadane, APP for Respondent-State.
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CORAM : ABHAY S. WAGHWASE, J.

DATE : 07.03.2025

ORDER :

1. By instant application, prayers are made for grant of regular bail on account of arrest of the applicants in crime no.0013 of 2025 registered at Udgir Rural Police Station, District Latur for offences punishable under Section 143 r/w 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) and Sections 3, 4, 5 and 7 of the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956.

2. Learned counsel submitted that applicants are arrested in above crime on 08.01.2025. That, there is false implication. That, applicants are shown as accused nos.3 and 4. That, alleged raid was conducted by police on secret information. Main allegations are directed against other two accused. That, in view of nature of allegations, nothing is shown to be recovered at their instance. That, applicants are ready to abide all and any conditions imposed by this Court.

3. Learned APP pointed out that applicants were found to be involved with other accused, indulging in acts of immoral trafficking. That investigation is still in progress, and hence he opposed relief.

4. After considering the above submissions and on going through the FIR dated 08.01.2025, it is apparently at the instance of police official, wherein it is reported that on secret information, raid was planned, dummy customer was sent and in all four persons were taken in custody, including present applicants. That, three women named in the FIR, who are said to be found on the spot, are grown up ladies. Thus, *prima facie*, no minor has been involved in the above offence. Therefore, when there is nothing shown to be recovered or discovered at the instance of present applicants, relief of bail deserves to be granted. Hence, I proceed to pass the following order:

ORDER

- I. The application is allowed.
- II. Applicants be released on bail in connection with Crime No. 0013 of 2025 registered at Udgir Rural Police Station, District Latur, on executing Personal Bond of Rs. 15,000/- each, with one surety each, in the like amount, on the following conditions:
 - [a] The applicants shall not tamper prosecution evidence.
 - [b] The applicants shall not leave the area of jurisdiction of the concerned police station till conclusion of trial.
 - [c] The applicants shall attend the concerned police station once in every week i.e. on every Monday, between 11.00 a.m. to 02.00 p.m. till committal of case and thereafter, shall regularly attend each and every effective date before the trial court.

[ABHAY S. WAGHWASE, J.]

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