



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

959 ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1697 OF 2024

Jagdish Dilip Raut
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra

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Advocate for Applicant : Mr. Avinash Patil h/f Mr. Abhaysinh K. Bhosle
APP for Respondents-State: Mr. G. O. Wattamwar
Advocate for Assist to APP : Mr. A. K. Shingare
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**WITH
CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 454 OF 2025
IN ABA/1697/2024**

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CORAM : ARUN R. PEDNEKER, J.

Dated : March 25, 2025.

PER COURT :-

1. Criminal Application No.454 of 2025 is filed for Assist to learned APP. Said application is allowed and disposed of.
2. Heard learned counsel for the applicant, the learned APP for the respondent-State, and the learned Counsel for Assist to APP.
3. The applicant is apprehending arrest in connection with FIR No.0338/2024, registered at Khultabad Police Station, District Aurangabad, for the offences punishable under sections 420 r.w.34 of IPC.
4. This Court, by order dated 10/10/2024, granted interim protection to the applicant.
5. The case against the applicant is that he and co-accused informed the

informant and other farmers that the Central Government is providing financial aid for the plantation of Mahogany trees. The applicant and the co-accused assured them that they would assist in obtaining the government aid and that their company, *Sevarth Company*, would also erect fencing around the farms and take care of the planted trees for two years. It is stated that for this purpose, the applicant collected money from the informant and some farmers. However, he failed to fulfill the assurances given to them, leading to the registration of the FIR.

6. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that after the grant of interim protection, the applicant has cooperated with the investigation. It is also stated that the applicant has returned the amount taken from the informant.

7. Considering that the investigation has been completed after the grant of interim protection, and also that the applicant has cooperated with the investigation, no further custodial interrogation of the applicant is necessary. Accordingly, the interim protection granted to the applicant by order dated 10/10/2024 is confirmed.

8. In view of the above, the application is allowed in the following terms: -

i] In the event the applicant is arrested in connection with FIR

No.0338/2024, registered at Khultabad Police Station, District Aurangabad, for the offences punishable under sections 420 r.w.34 of IPC, he shall be released on bail on furnishing PR bond of Rs.20,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

ii] The applicant shall attend the police station as and when called by the police.

iii] 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.

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

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

10. 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.

11. The application stands disposed of.

(ARUN R. PEDNEKER, J.)

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