

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

Anticipatory Bail Application No.1901 of 2025

Pravin S Jadhav & Anr. ... Applicants.
Vs.
The State of Maharashtra ... Respondent.

Mr Ganesh Bhujbal for the applicants.
Mr MG Patil, APP for the respondent / State.
Complainant present in person.
PSI Pralhad R Dongate, Khadak Police Station.

Coram : R.N.Laddha, J.
Date : 14 July 2025.

P.C. :

The learned Counsel for the applicants submits that the names of the applicants do not appear in the FIR. The only allegation levelled against them is that they had purchased gold ornaments from co-accused/ accused No.1, Netaji Jadhav. It is further alleged that accused No.1 had committed theft of those gold ornaments. Pursuant to the registration of the FIR, the applicants were issued a notice u/s 179 of the BNSS. The issuance of such notice, according to the learned Counsel, indicates that the applicants were called for the purpose of recording their statements as

witnesses and were not named as accused persons in the proceedings. The learned Counsel further states that the applicants are ready and willing to cooperate with the investigation.

2. The informant appears in person and seeks time to file an intervention application. The learned APP also seeks time to take further instructions.

3. By consent, stand over to **1 August 2025**. In the meantime no coercive action shall be taken against the applicant in the present crime till the next date.

[R. N. Laddha, J.]