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C.R.M (A) 1388 of 2026

In Re:- An application for anticipatory bail under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 corresponding to Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in connection with Contai PS Case No.746/2025 dated 20.12.2025 under Sections 303(2)/317(2)/3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

And

In the matter of: Vindhani Sadik @ Sadik Vindhani
... petitioner

Mr. Angshuman Chakraborty,
Mr. S. S. Saha.
...for the petitioner.

Mr. Krishnendu Bhattacharya,
Mr. Somnath Adhikary.
...for the State.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits as follows. The petitioner was not named in the FIR. On 19.12.2025, some sacks of betel nuts were recovered from a vehicle. The only material available against the petitioner is the statement of a co-accused, which is not admissible in evidence.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the State relies on the case diary and opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail. He submits that the petitioner has not responded to the notice given. A person has applied before the Court for return of the betel nuts. Therefore, the petitioner could not have been the owner of the betel nuts.

Considering the above, the other materials available in the case diary and the alleged role ascribed to the present petitioner, I do not think that custodial interrogation of the

petitioner is required in this case and I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Accordingly, in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bond of Rs.10,000/- with two sureties of like amount each, one of whom must be local, to the satisfaction of Arresting Officer and subject to the conditions as laid down under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, corresponding to Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and on further condition that the petitioner shall cooperate with the investigation and shall not threaten or intimidate witnesses or tamper with evidence in any manner whatsoever and the petitioner shall meet the Investigating Officer as and when required.

The application for anticipatory bail is, thus, disposed of.

Urgent photostat certified copies of this order may be delivered to the learned Advocates for the parties, if applied for, upon compliance of all formalities.

(Jay Sengupta, J.)