IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD

R/CRIMINAL MISC.APPLICATION (FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL) NO. 12114 of 2026

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RAVI @MORARI KESHABHAI MATANG & ORS.

Versus

STATE OF GUJARAT

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Appearance:
MR YASH V GUPTA(11814) for the Applicant(s) No. 1,2,3,4,5
VISHAL K ANANDJIWALA(7798) for the Applicant(s) No. 1,2,3,4,5
MS ASMITA PATEL, APP for the Respondent(s) No. 1

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CORAM:**HONOURABLE MS. JUSTICE VAIBHAVI D. NANAVATI**

Date : 05/06/2026
ORAL ORDER

1. By way of the present application under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (hereinafter, referred to as “BNSS”), the applicants-accused have prayed for enlarging the applicants on anticipatory bail in connection with the FIR being C.R.No. 11993006260496 of 2026, registered with A – Division Police Station, Gandhidham for the offences punishable under Sections 310(2), 332(b), 324(4), 352, and 351(3) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (hereinafter, referred to as “BNS”) and Section 135 of the Gujarat Police Act, 1951.

2. Rule. Ms. Asmita Patel, learned APP waives service of rule for and on behalf of the respondent – State.

3. Heard Mr. Vishal Anandjiwala, learned advocate appearing for the applicants, Ms. Asmita Patel, learned APP appearing for the respondent – State.

4. When the matter was taken up for hearing, learned advocate appearing for the applicants submitted that the applicants are apprehending arrest in connection with the aforesaid FIR. It is submitted that an earlier application filed by the applicants before the learned Sessions Court, Gandhidham, came to be rejected vide order dated 16.05.2026. It is further submitted that the complainant and the applicants herein, being family members, have arrived at an amicable settlement *inter se*. An affidavit of the complainant dated 04.06.2026 is placed on record and the same is taken on record. The complainant, Mr. Satishbhai Malshibhai Maheshwari, is present before this Court and reiterates the contents stated in the said affidavit. It is also submitted by Mr. Vishal Anandjiwala, learned advocate appearing for the applicants that accused No. 1 has been enlarged on bail. It is further submitted that, considering the facts stated in the application, the applicants may be granted anticipatory bail in the interest of justice.

5. Ms. Asmita Patel, learned APP appearing for the respondent – State has opposed the grant of anticipatory bail looking to the nature and gravity of the offence. Learned APP has, therefore, prayed that the present application be dismissed.

6. Having heard the learned advocates appearing for the respective parties and upon perusal of the record and considering the role attributed to the applicants herein, this is a fit case to exercise discretion by enlarging the applicants on anticipatory bail.

7. This Court has considered the following aspects:

(a) as per catena of decisions of Hon'ble Supreme Court, there are mainly two factors which are required to be considered by this Court:

(i) prima facie case

(ii) requirement of accused for custodial interrogation.

(b) The complainant and the applicants herein, being family members, have arrived at an amicable settlement *inter se;* An affidavit of the complainant dated 04.06.2026 is filed.

(c) The complainant, Mr. Satishbhai Malshibhai Maheshwari, is present before this Court and reiterates the contents stated in the said affidavit.

(d) Accused No. 1 has already been enlarged on bail.

Therefore, in the facts and circumstances of the present case, this Court is inclined to consider the case of the applicant.

8. This Court has also taken into consideration the law laid down by the Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of ***"Siddharam Satlingappa Mhetre Vs. State of Maharashtra and Ors.", reported in 2011 (1) SCC 694,*** wherein the Hon'ble Apex Court reiterated the law laid down by the Constitution Bench in the case of ***"Shri Gurubaksh Singh Sibbia & Ors. Vs. State of Punjab", reported in 1980 (2) SCC 565.*** Further, this Court has also taken into consideration the ratio laid down in the case of ***"Sushila Aggarwal and Ors. v. State (NCT of Delhi) and Anr." in Special Leave Petition No. 7281-7282/2017 dated 29.01.2020.***

9. In this regard, the present application is allowed. The applicant is ordered to be released on anticipatory bail in the event to arrest in connection with FIR being C.R.No. 11993006260496 of 2026, registered with A – Division Police Station, Gandhidham on executing a personal bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) with one surety of like amount on the following conditions:

(a) shall cooperate with the investigation and make available

for interrogation whenever required;

(b) shall remain present at concerned Police Station on 10.06.2026 between 11.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.;

(c) shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the fact of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer'

(d) shall not obstruct or hamper the police investigation and not to play mischief with the evidence collected or yet to be collected by the police;

(e) shall at the time of execution of bond, furnish the address to the investigating officer and the Court concerned and shall not change residence till the final disposal of the case till further orders;

(f) shall not leave India without the permission of the concerned Trial Court and if having passport, shall deposit the same before the concerned Trial Court within a week;

10. At the Trial, the concerned Trial Court shall not be influenced by the *prima facie* observations made by this Court in the present order.

11. Rule is made absolute to the aforesaid extent. Direct service, is permitted.

(VAIBHAVI D. NANAVATI,J)

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Original copy of this order has been signed by the Hon'ble Judge.
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