



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

909 ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1999 OF 2025

ABEDABI CHANDPASHA SHAIKH
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA

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Mr. G. R. Syed, Advocate for Applicant
Ms. P. J. Bharad, APP for the Respondent/State

CORAM : R. M. JOSHI, J.

DATED : 9th JUNE, 2026

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1. The applicant seeks pre-arrest bail in connection with Crime No. 0541/2025, registered with Udgir Rural Police Station, District Latur for the offences punishable under Sections 316(2), 318(4), 351(2), 352 r/w 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita.

2. The first informant is a lady who alleged that she was induced to make investment in Bhishi. For the said purpose, she mortgaged her ornaments with jeweller and obtained a sum of Rs.18,50,000/-. There is also allegation that for the purpose of marriage, ornaments were given to one Afsara Valishah Shaikh. In the first information report it is also stated that a sum of Rs.18,50,000/- was given to the present applicant. Since the applicant and others refused to repay the amount and returned the ornaments, report

came to be lodged.

3. Learned Advocate for the applicant submits that there are inconsistencies in the First Information Report regarding the person to whom the ornaments and money were allegedly given by the informant. It is his submission that the documents placed on record indicate that informant is in business of money laundering. He drew attention of the Court to the complaint dated 9th December, 2024 lodged by the applicant to the concerned Police Station indicating the same. It is claim that the applicant has no criminal history and she is not likely to flee from justice.

4. Learned APP opposed the application. It is her contention that there are sufficient allegations against the present applicant indicating her involvement in the crime.

5. *Prima facie* perusal of the first information report indicates that there are inconsistent statements made by the informant with regard to the gold ornaments as well as money being given to any particular person. Apart from this the applicant has placed on record the complaint dated 9th December, 2024 which is prior in time to the filing of the first information report indicating the possible money lending transaction between the parties. Further contention of the applicant gets support from the documents collected

during the course of investigating indicating that blank cheques were obtained from the present applicant by the informant. All these facts supports the case sought to be made out by the applicant with regard to the possible false implication of the applicant in crime. Apart from this there are inconsistent statements of informant about ornaments and money being given to any particular person. The applicant has no criminal history and she is not likely to flee from justice. Her liberty was protected by order dated 17/11/2025. There is nothing on record to indicate that the applicant has misused the liberty. Hence, the application stands allowed in terms of interim order dated 17/11/2025.

(R. M. JOSHI, J.)

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