



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY  
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

BAIL APPLICATION NO. 423 OF 2026

1. Sangita Bhausahab Game
2. Vanita Venunath Kothavale

..APPLICANTS

VERSUS

State of Maharashtra and Another

..RESPONDENTS

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Mr. A.N. Barhate Patil, Advocate for applicants  
Mr. S.V. Hange, A.P.P. for respondents  
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CORAM : RAJNISH R. VYAS, J.  
DATE : 23<sup>rd</sup> MARCH, 2026

PER COURT :

. The applicants herein, who are sisters, have approached this Court praying for grant of bail in connection with F.I.R. No. 454 of 2025 dated 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2025 registered with Rahata Police Station, Dist. Ahilyanagar for the offence punishable under Section 137 (2) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023. It is necessary to mention here that during the course of investigation, the provisions of Section 140(2), 61(2), 351(2), 49, 3(5), 103(1) and 238 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 were added. The applicants were arrested on 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2025.

2. The F.I.R. was lodged against Pravin Wagh and Deepak Pokale. Deepak is the real brother of applicants. The informant in the crime is Shraddha Gidhe, who has alleged in the F.I.R. that her husband / Sachin was

residing with her and on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2025 at about 12:00 noon he left the house. At about 08:00 in the night Pravin telephoned the informant and enquired about whereabouts of Sachin and also threatened that Sachin would be grievously hurt. When the informant enquired whether any quarrel took place with Sachin, the call was disconnected. The informant thereafter immediately telephoned Sachin and narrated the incident, who told informant that he would call Pravin.

3. In the F.I.R., the informant has alleged that she again telephoned her husband / Sachin at 10:30 p.m., at which time Sachin informed that he is being taken towards Sakuri Shiv by Pravin and Deepak and in case anything happens to him, they be held responsible. Thereafter the call was disconnected. The informant alleged that her husband thereafter did not return home and consequently the F.I.R. as stated above came to be lodged. During the course of investigation, C.C.T.V. footages were also seized.

4. Learned counsel for the applicants submitted that the present applicants have absolutely no connection with the incident occurred and they were not even present on the spot. He submitted that just because one of the accused i.e. Deepak is their brother, the applicants are falsely roped into.

5. Per contra, learned A.P.P. submitted that the offence registered is serious and though the present applicants were not involved in actual

incident, they are responsible for threatening the informant, subsequent to registration of F.I.R.

6. In the aforesaid background, if record of the case is perused, it would be crystal clear that the present applicants were not named in the F.I.R. As far as the role assigned to the present applicants is concerned, it is stated that after registration of F.I.R., the applicants had threatened the informant for withdrawal of case. Nothing more is brought on record to connect the applicants with the crime. The applicants were arrested on 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2025 and it is undisputed position that they were not even present on the spot of incident. Since the investigation, so far present applicants is concerned, is already over and considering the fact that the present applicants are ladies and have no criminal antecedents, following order is passed :-

#### **ORDER**

- (I) Bail application is allowed.
- (II) The applicants be released on bail on furnishing P.R. bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) each with each solvent surety in the like amount, in connection with F.I.R. No. 454 of 2025 dated 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2025 registered with Rahata Police Station, Dist. Ahilyanagar for the offence punishable under Section 137 (2), 140(2), 61(2), 351(2), 49, 3(5), 103(1) and 238 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

- (III) The applicants shall not influence the witness or tamper the evidence.
- (IV) The applicants shall attend Rahata Police Station, Dist. Latur as and when called for investigation.
- (V) The applicants shall not leave State of Maharashtra without prior permission of the Court.

( RAJNISH R. VYAS, J. )

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