IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO.2444 OF 2026

Shama Pawar *alias* Shama Nasir Shaikh ...Applicant
Versus
The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent

Mr. Vaibhav Ugle a/w Prashant, Mahajan & Mohan Waghmode, for the Applicant.
Ms. S. M. Yadav, APP, for the Respondent-State.
API Chhaya Gujar, Dapodi Police Station, Pimpri-Chinchwad, Pune, present.

CORAM: MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.
DATED: 13 OCTOBER 2026

PC:-

1. Heard Mr. Ugle, learned Counsel appearing for the Applicant and Ms. Yadav, learned APP, for the Respondent-State of Maharashtra.

2. By this Anticipatory Bail Application filed under Section 482 of the *Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023*, the Applicant is seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with CR No.102 of 2026 registered with Dapodi Police Station, Pimpri-Chinchwad, Pune, for the offences punishable under Sections 115(2), 329(4), 351(2), 351(3) and 352 of the *Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023*.

3. The prosecution case is set out in Paragraph No.3 of the

Order dated 30th July 2026 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge-4, Pimpri Chinchwad, Pune in Criminal Bail Application No.891 of 2026, which reads as under:

> "*3. The prosecution case, in brief, is that the applicant/accused was allegedly carrying on an illegal money-lending business and was charging interest at the rate of 20% per annum on hand loans. It is alleged that the informant had obtained a hand loan from the applicant, but the applicant was demanding an exorbitant amount from her towards repayment. It is further alleged that, although the applicant had advanced an amount of Rs.90,000/- to the informant, she was demanding an amount of Rs.3,24,000/- from her and was also claiming repayment of the original amount of Rs.90,000/-. It is alleged that, in the course of demanding repayment, the applicant abused and threatened the informant and thereby committed the alleged offence.*"

4. Ms. Yadav, learned APP, for the Respondent-State, strongly opposes the Application. She submits that the Applicant is a habitual offender and there are two criminal antecedents against the Applicant. She submits that, in fact, the Applicant has threatened many people. To substantiate the said contention, she relied on the WhatsApp messages.

5. Perusal of the prosecution case shows that the Applicant had advanced an amount of Rs.90,000/- to the First Informant and as the said amount was not repaid, the Applicant went to the house of

the First Informant, abused her and threatened her. Even as per the prosecution case, there is no physical assault on the First Informant.

6. Pursuant to the Order dated 11th September 2026 passed in this Application, the Applicant has attended the Police Station.

7. Accordingly, in the facts and circumstances, case is made out for grant of anticipatory bail. However, as there are antecedents against the Applicant, stringent conditions are required to be imposed.

8. In view thereof, the following Order is passed:

O R D E R

(a) In the event of arrest of Applicant - Shama Pawar *alias* Shama Nasir Shaikh in connection with CR No.102 of 2026 registered with Dapodi Police Station, Pimpri-Chinchwad, Pune, the Applicant is directed to be released on bail on her furnishing PR Bond in the sum of Rs.30,000/- with one or two solvent sureties in the like amount.

(b) The Applicant shall attend the concerned Police Station, once in a week i.e. on every Monday between 11:00 am to 02:00 pm upto 31st March 2027 and thereafter once in a month i.e. on the first Monday of each month between 11:00 am to 02:00 pm, till the conclusion of the trial.

(c) The Applicant shall furnish her cell phone number and residential address to the Investigating Officer and shall keep the same updated, in case of any change thereto.

(d) The Applicant shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat, or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade such a person from disclosing the facts to the Court or to any Police personnel.

(e) The Applicant shall not tamper with the prosecution evidence and shall not contact or influence the Complainant or any witness in any manner.

(f) The Applicant shall not leave India without prior permission of the Court.

9. The Anticipatory Bail Application is disposed of accordingly.

[MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.]