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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 2744 OF 2026

1. Kama Sanu Dore …Applicants
2. Sunil Sanjay Dore

Vs.

The State of Maharashtra …Respondent
(At the instance of Trimbakeshwar Police Station, Nashik)

Ms. Rukmini Khairnar, for the Applicants.
Mr. S.S. Ghag, APP for the Respondent-State.

CORAM: MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.
DATE : 9th OCTOBER, 2026

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1. Heard Ms. Khairnar, learned counsel appearing for the Applicant and Mr. Ghag, learned APP appearing for the State.

2. By this application filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, the Applicants are seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with C.R. No. 93 of 2026 registered with Trimbakeshwar Police Station, Nashik Rural for the offence punishable under Section 303(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 ("**BNS**").

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3. The prosecution case is set out in paragraph No. 2 of the order dated 18th July 2026 passed by learned Additional Sessions Judge-2, Nashik in Criminal Bail Application No. 1333 of 2026. The said paragraph No.2 reads as under :

> "2] The case of the prosecution, in short, is that informant Anumeha Raj is resident of Gudgaon (Hariyana). On 15.6.2026 he lodged the report and alleged that he visited Trambakeshwar along with his sister and after having darshan went to Harihar Fort and stayed at Vimal Farm. They were having DJI Drone camera of SONY company for shooting purposes. They went on Harihar Fort. They have noted menace of monkeys there as those monkeys were snatching bags of tourist. Thereby they have kept the bag near the CCTV camera of forest which is near Hotel of Sunil Dore. At that time, one person has seen them while keeping the bag there. Thereafter, they again went on Harihar Fort and when came down, they have not found their drone camera there. They have checked the CCTV footage with the help of Forest Department and found two

> persons while lifting bag of camera. On inquiry they came to know name of those persons as applicants/accused. On the basis of such report offence as referred above came to be registered."

4. It is the submission of Ms. Khairnar, learned counsel appearing for the Applicants that in CCTV, it was seen that the Applicants were near the spot and therefore the F.I.R. is registered. She submits that the CCTV footage does not show that the Applicants have actually committed the crime. There are no other antecedents. The Applicants will cooperate with the investigation.

5. On the other hand, Mr. Ghag, learned APP submits that the Applicants were seen near the spot of the incident and they were active near the spot of the crime. Learned APP relies on statement of Dagadu Vikram Dive recorded on 15th June 2026 and the statement of Madhukar Sakharam Bangale recorded on 17th July 2026 by the police and states that the Anticipatory Bail Application be dismissed.

6. Perusal of the record shows that the only material against the present Applicants is the CCTV footage where they were seen

around the place where the crime has been committed. However, even CCTV recording does not show that the Applicants have committed the crime. The Applicants have no other antecedents.

7. Accordingly, a case is made out for grant of anticipatory bail. In view thereof, the following order is passed:

ORDER

(a) In the event of arrest of the Applicants-Kama Sanu Dore and Sunil Sanjay Dore, in connection with C.R. No. 93 of 2026 registered with Trimbakeshwar Police Station, Nashik Rural, the Applicants are directed to be released on bail on furnishing P.R. Bond in the sum of Rs.10,000/-, each, with one or two solvent sureties each in the like amount.

(b) The Applicants shall attend the concerned Police Station on 14th October 2026 and 15th October 2026 between 11:00 a.m. to 02:00 p.m. and shall cooperate with the investigation. In addition, the Applicants shall attend the concerned Police Station as and when called by the Investigating Officer.

(c) The Applicants shall furnish their cell phone numbers

and residential addresses to the Investigating Officer and shall keep the same updated, in case of any change thereto.

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

8. The Anticipatory Bail Application is disposed of accordingly.

[MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.]