

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1953 OF 2025

Ramesh Kumar ...Applicant
V/s.
The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent

**WITH
ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1954 OF 2025**

Mansingh Manglaram ...Applicant
V/s.
The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent

**WITH
ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 2589 OF 2025**

Arbaz Sajjad Khan ...Applicant
V/s.
The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent

Adv. Murtuza Najmi, a/w Adv. Shambhu Jha a/w Adv. Sandip Dubey
a/w Mr. Suraj Pande a/w Adv. Afsar Ansari, Advocate for the
Applicants in ABA NOS. 1953 & 1954/2025.
Adv. Ashwini Kumar Pathak, Advocate for the Applicant in
ABA/2589/2025.
Mr. V. N. Sagare, APP for the Respondent/State.

CORAM : N.R. BORKAR, J.
DATE : 04.03.2026.

P.C. :

1. All these applications for anticipatory bail are arising out of the one and the same crime and thus they are being disposed of by this common order.

2. The applicants are apprehending their arrest in Crime

No. 106 of 2025 registered at Kasarvadavli Police Station, for the offences punishable under Sections 120-B, 420, 465, 468, 471 read with 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.

3. It is the case of the prosecution that developer Santosh Bagde, who is co-accused in the present crime had prepared the false documents and on the basis of said documents had sold 18 flats to the applicants and co-accused without consent of first informant and his family members, who are the land owners and defrauded them to the tune of Rs.9,00,00,000/-.

4. I have heard the learned counsel for the applicants, the learned APP for the respondent-State and perused the first information report.

5. The learned counsel for the applicants submits that the applicants have nothing to do with the alleged crime. It is submitted that the applicants are *bonafide* flat purchasers. It is further submitted that the custodial interrogation of the applicants is not necessary and the applicants are ready and willing to co-operate in the investigation.

6. On the other hand, the learned APP for the respondent-State submits that there are various incriminating documents against the applicants. It is further submitted that the applicants are not the *bonafide* flat purchasers. It is submitted that considering the nature of crime the applicants may not be released on anticipatory bail.

7. I have perused the First Information Report. The main allegations are against the co-accused Santosh Bagde. Prima-facie, from the documents placed on record there appears to be substance in the submission of the learned counsel for the applicants that the applicants are *bonafide* purchasers. Considering the said facts, I am inclined to release the applicants on anticipatory bail. In the result, the following order is passed :

ORDER

- a) The Applications are allowed.
- b) In the event of arrest of the applicants in connection with Crime No. 106 of 2025 registered at Kasarvadavli Police Station, for the offences punishable under Sections 120-B, 420, 465, 468, 471 read with 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, the applicants be released on bail on furnishing P.R. Bond in the sum of Rs. 25,000/- each with one or two sureties in the like amount.
- c) The applicants shall attend the concerned police station as and when called by the investigating officer and shall co-operate in the investigation.

[N.R.BORKAR, J.]