

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1098 OF 2026

Geeta Mahesh Gandhi

... Applicant

V/S.

The State Of Maharashtra

... Respondent

Mr. Shirish Gupte, Senior Advocate a/w Ashok Mishra, Dhara Chauhan, for the Petitioner.

Mr. Ranjit Agashe a/w Mr. Rajendra Jain and Pranil Lahigade, for the Original Complainant.

Mr. Sukanta Karmakar, APP for the Respondent – State.

CORAM : ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.

DATE : 28th April, 2026.

P.C. :

1. Mr. Shirish Gupte, learned Senior Advocate for the Applicant states that though the Complainant / Informant was heard before the Sessions Court, by inadvertence, he remained to be added as party to the present proceedings. He therefore seeks leave to add the First Informant / Complainant as party Respondent No. 2 in the present Application.

2. The request made by Mr. Shirish Gupte, learned Senior Advocate, is not objected to by Mr. Sukanta Karmakar learned APP

for the Respondent – State. He states that the presence of the Complainant – Informant is necessary.

3. In view of the statement made by Mr. Shirish Gupte, learned Senior Advocate and the no objection by Mr. Sukanta Karmakar, learned APP, leave is granted to amend the cause title of the Application to add the First Informant / Complainant as party Respondent No. 2.

4. Mr. Shirish Gupte states that amendment would be carried out forthwith. Permission granted.

5. Issue notice to the Respondents.

6. Mr. Sukanta Karmakar, learned APP waives service of notice on behalf of Respondent – State.

7. Mr. Ranjit Agashe, learned Advocate appears and states that he has instructions to appear on behalf of Respondent No. 2. He requests for time till 29.04.2026.

8. At the request of Mr. Ranjit Agashe, learned Advocate for

the Respondent No. 2 and by consent of parties, list this Application on 29.04.2026.

(ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.)

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