

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR.

CRIMINAL APPLICATION (ABA) NO.420 OF 2026

RAJESH JAYRAMSING CHAVAN
VS
STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THR PSO., PS SHEGAON
CITY, TQ. SHEGAON DIST. BULDHANA

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram,
appearances, Court's orders of directions
and Registrar's Orders.

Court's or Judge's orders.

Mr. C.S. Dhore a/w Mr. Sudhanshu Rotkar an Mr. Yash Bangale, Advocate for
the Applicant.
Mr. S.M. Ukey, APP, for the Respondent-State.

CORAM : RAJ D. WAKODE, J.
DATE : 26th MAY, 2026.

1. Heard the learned counsel for the applicant (s).
2. Apprehending arrest in connection with Crime No.286 of 2026 registered with Police Station Shegaon City, Taluka Shegaon, Dist. Buldhana for the offences punishable under Sections 61(2), 316(2) and 318(4) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the applicant has approached this Court praying for grant of anticipatory bail.
3. The learned counsel for the applicant has invited my attention to the recitals of the FIR, wherein the main allegation is against Accused No.1, the President, and Accused No.2, the Manager, who is the son of Accused No.1, the President. Mr. Dhore, the learned counsel for the applicant, submits that the applicant was a nominal

director in the aforesaid Samarth Nagri Sahakari Patsanstha, Shegaon. He has also invited my attention to the agreement dated 09.06.2024, which is at record Page No.41 (Annexure 3), executed between the present applicant and Accused No.2, Shashikant Rambhau Gote, wherein it has been admitted by Accused No.2 that the applicant is a nominal director without any financial powers. Mr. Dhore has also pointed out the resignation dated 07.03.2024, which is at record Page No.51 (Annexure 5), thereby tendering his resignation as Director from the Executive Body of the aforesaid society.

4. The aforesaid resignation was, however, forwarded by the Assistant Registrar, Co-operative Societies, Shegaon, on 28.06.2024 to the President of the aforesaid Society for necessary action. Such resignation is much prior to the registration of the offence. It is pertinent to note that one Dipak Ganpat Thakare, who is Accused No.8 and is similarly situated to the present applicant, has already been granted anticipatory bail by the learned Sessions Court vide order dated 22.05.2026, which is at record Page No.78 (Annexure 8). In view of the above, the following order is passed :-

ORDER

- (i) Issue notice to the non-applicant(s), returnable on **10.06.2026**.
- (ii) The learned APP waives service of notice on behalf for non-applicant-State and seeks time to file reply.

(iii) In the event of arrest in connection with Crime No.286 of 2026 registered with Police Station Shegaon City, Taluka Shegaon, District Buldhana, for the offences punishable under Sections 61(2), 316(2), and 318(4) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the applicant be released on ad interim bail on furnishing a PR Bond of Rs.50,000/- with one solvent surety in the like amount.

(iv) The applicant shall remain present at Shegaon City Police Station on every Monday between 02:00 p.m. and 05:00 p.m. till filing of the final report.

(v) The applicant shall co-operate in investigation as and when required by the Investigating Officer.

(vi) The applicant shall not pressurize the complainant and prosecution witnesses.

(vii) On breach of any condition of the bail order, the prosecution shall be at liberty to apply for cancellation of bail.

(RAJ. D. WAKODE, J.)