HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

CRIMINAL MISC. ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION U/S 482 BNSS No. - 10847 of 2026

Nirmala Devi

.....Applicant(s)

Versus

State of U.P.

.....Opposite Party(s)

Counsel for Applicant(s)	:	Akash Ojha, Arjun Singh Solanki
Counsel for Opposite Party(s)	:	G.A.

Court No. - 70

HON'BLE RAJIV LOCHAN SHUKLA, J.

1. Heard, Learned counsel for the applicant, the Learned A.G.A. for the State and perused the record.

2. The present anticipatory bail application has been filed on behalf of the applicant in Case Crime No.572 of 2026, under Sections 3/5A/5B/8 of Cow Slaughter Act, 1955 and Section 11 of Punishment for Cruelty with Animal Act and Section 109(1) BNS, Police Station- Ali Nagar, District Chandauli, with a prayer to enlarge her on anticipatory bail as the applicant apprehends her arrest in the above-mentioned case.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant contends that the applicant is a lady and she is stated to be the registered owner of the Tata Magic vehicle bearing registration No. UP 65 LT 5475, which was allegedly being used for transporting two cows and one calf for the purposes of slaughter by the co-accused Ayush Mehto and Sipul Singh, who were arrested by the police on the spot.

4. Learned counsel has further contended that co-accused Ayush Mehto and Sipul Singh have been granted regular bail by this Court in Criminal Misc. Bail Application Nos. 35078 of 2026 and 35487 of 2026, respectively.

5. Learned counsel for the applicant further submits that there is no direct allegation against the applicant regarding the slaughter of cows. Except the fact that applicant is the registered owner of the vehicle in question,

there is no tangible evidence to implicate her in the present crime. The applicant has no criminal antecedents.

6. Learned A.G.A. has opposed the prayer for bail but does not dispute the fact that the applicant has no criminal antecedents.

7. I have considered the submissions made by learned counsel for the parties.

8. Apart from the fact that the applicant is the registered owner of the Tata Magic vehicle allegedly being used for transporting cows for the purposes of slaughter, there is no other direct evidence against the applicant. The applicant is a lady having no criminal antecedents. The co-accused, Sipul Singh and Ayush Mehto, have already been granted regular bail by this Court.

9. Taking into account all the facts and circumstances of the case and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I deem it fit to enlarge the applicant on anticipatory bail.

10. In view of the above, the anticipatory bail application of the applicant is allowed.

11. In the event of the arrest of the applicant **Nirmala Devi**, she shall be released forthwith in the aforesaid case crime on anticipatory bail on furnishing a personal bond and surety each in the like amount to the satisfaction of the Station House Officer of the police station/Court concerned with the following conditions:-

i. the applicant shall make herself available for interrogation by a police officer as and when required;

ii. that 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 her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;

iii. that the applicant shall not leave India without the previous permission of the Court;

iv. that the applicant shall not pressurize/intimidate the prosecution witness;

12. In case of breach of any of the above conditions, the Court concerned shall be at liberty to cancel the bail.

13. It is made clear that observations made hereinabove are exclusively for deciding the instant anticipatory bail application and are not to be considered to be an opinion on the merits of the case.

(Rajiv Lochan Shukla,J.)

October 24, 2026
S.A.

Digitally signed by :-
SALMAN AHMAD
High Court of Judicature at Allahabad