2026:AHC:212943

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

CRIMINAL MISC. BAIL APPLICATION No. - 44498 of 2025

Shivpujan

.....Applicant(s)

Versus

State of U.P.

.....Opposite Party(s)

Counsel for Applicant(s) : Shiva Singh, Suresh Chandra Yadav
Counsel for Opposite Party(s) : G.A.

Court No. - 67

HON'BLE JITENDRA KUMAR SINHA, J.

1. Heard Sri Shiva Singh along with Sri Suresh Chandra Yadav, learned counsel for the applicant, Sri Chandra Shekhar Saran, learned AGA for the State-respondents and perused the record.

2. The present bail application under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, has been filed on behalf of applicant with a prayer to release him on bail in Case Crime No. 271 of 2023 under Sections 302, 394, 411 IPC, registered at Police Station Dhoomanganj, District Prayagraj during pendency of the trial.

3. It has been argued by learned counsel for the applicant that this is second bail application of the applicant and his first bail application was rejected vide order dated 01.4.2024. It is further submitted that applicant has been languishing in jail since 07.6.2023 i.e. for the last three years and till date, only three witnesses have been examined by the trial court so far. It is further submitted that co-accused Ghanshyam Dubey has been granted bail by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 23.7.2026 after rejection of the first bail application of the applicant. It is also submitted that the applicant undertakes that he will not misuse the liberty, if granted. It has also been pointed out that in the wake of heavy pendency of cases in the Court, there is no likelihood of any early conclusion of trial.

4. On the other hand, learned A.G.A. opposed the prayer for grant of bail to the applicant and submits that first bail application of the applicant was rejected by this Court on merits.

5. This is second bail application of the applicant and his first bail application was rejected vide order dated 01.4.2024. It is submitted that applicant has been languishing in jail since 07.6.2023 and till date, only three witnesses have been examined by the trial court so far out of 19 proposed witnesses and the trial is not likely to conclude in near future. Co-accused Ghanshyam Dubey has been granted bail by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 23.7.2026 after rejection of the first bail application of the applicant.

6. Considering the entire facts and circumstances of the case, submissions of learned counsel for the parties and keeping in view the nature of offence, evidence, complicity of the accused and taking into account overcrowded jails and heavy pendency of criminal cases before the trial courts as well as considering the mandate of the judgement of the Apex Court in the case of ***Kapil Wadhawan vs Central Bureau of Investigation*** reported in ***2025 SCC OnLine SC 3038*** as well as guideline of this Court in the case of ***Maya Tiwari Vs. State of U.P.*** reported in ***2024 SCC Online All 6765*** regarding grant of bail and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I am of the opinion that the applicant is entitled to be enlarged on bail.

7. Let the applicant **Shivpujan** involved in the aforementioned crime be released on bail, on his furnishing a personal bond and two sureties each in the like amount, to the satisfaction of the court concerned, with the following conditions:-

(i) 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 him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer or tamper with the evidence.

(ii) The applicant shall cooperate in the trial/investigation sincerely without seeking any adjournment.

(iii) The applicant shall not indulge in any criminal activity or commission of any crime after being released on bail.

(iv) The applicant shall attend in accordance with the conditions of the bond executed by him.

8. In case of breach of any of the above conditions, it shall be a ground for cancellation of bail.

9. Identity, status and residence proof of the applicant and sureties be verified by the court concerned before the bonds are accepted. Verification of mobile number and Aadhaar card of the applicant as well as sureties should be verified by the court concerned.

10. It is further directed that the trial court shall send the release order to the concerned jail through Bail Order Management System (BOMS) to ensure early release of the applicant.

11. Office is directed to send a copy of this order to the applicant through concerned Jail Superintendent via e-mail or e-prison portal within 24 hours in compliance of the order of the Apex Court in the case of ***Policy Strategy for Grant of Bail, In Re: Suo Motu Writ Petition (Crl.) No.4 of 2021*** decided on 31.01.2023 reported in ***(2024) 10 SCC 685.***

(Jitendra Kumar Sinha,J.)

October 9, 2026
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MADHURIMA GARG
High Court of Judicature at Allahabad