

-:: Order below Bail Application ::-

(1) The present bail application is preferred by the accused Mr. Prakash @ Pako S/o Ratilal Chunara seeking regular bail in connection with C.R. No. 11192003260132/2026 registered with Sanand GIDC Police Station for the offence punishable under Section 309(6), 54 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 corresponding to robbery and snatching with hurt.

(2) As per the complaint filed by the grandson of the victim, on the intervening night of 16/10/2025 at about 62:00 a.m., the complainant's grandmother, Lilaben Karshanbhai Patel, aged about 80 years, was sleeping in the courtyard of their house at Moje Rethal. While she was asleep, an unknown person came near her, forcibly snatched the pair of gold earrings weighing about 1.5 Tola valued at Rs. 50,000/- from both her ears, causing bleeding injury to her earlobes. The victim raised shouts, due to which the family members woke up. The accused person was seen running away. The family immediately shifted the elderly victim to Aardhya Hospital, Manko Chowkdi for treatment. Due to shock and old age of the victim, the complaint was lodged after a short delay on 18/10/2025. During the course of investigation, the present two accused have been arrested by the police.

(3) Heard Ld. Advocate for the applicants accused and Ld. APP for the State.

(4) The Court has carefully considered the nature and gravity of the offence, the role attributed to the applicants, and the material placed on record. The offence involves snatching gold ornaments from an 80-year-old helpless woman while she was sleeping in her own house at night. The act is not a simple theft but a violent snatching causing bodily injury. The victim is an elderly lady of advanced age. Such offences against senior citizens shake the conscience of society and

create fear in the minds of law-abiding citizens, especially women and elderly persons. Prima facie, there is sufficient material against the applicants showing their involvement in the crime. Investigation is at a crucial stage and a chargesheet is yet to be filed. There is every possibility of the accused tampering with the evidence or influencing the witnesses, who are family members of the victim. The both accused have failed to demonstrate any exceptional circumstances or compelling reasons warranting their release on bail at this stage. So, considering the seriousness of the offence, the manner in which it was committed, and the vulnerability of the victim, this is not a fit case for granting bail.

view of the above facts and circumstances and having regard to the principles laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in cases involving serious offences against women and elderly persons, this Court is of the opinion that the accused do not deserve to be released on bail at this stage. Therefore, I pass the following order in the interest of justice.

::ORDER:

- The bail application is preferred by the accused Mr. Prakash @ Pako Ratilalbhai Chunara is hereby **Rejected**.

Date: 05/06/2026

Place: Sanand

(A.R.Ghori)

Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate,
Sanand.

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