

Order below Exh. 1 in Cri. Bail Application no. 352/2026

(Bharat Gopichand Pawar Vs. State of Maharashtra)

(CNR no. MHST010014562026)

1. By this bail application, accused Bharat Gopichand Pawar seek enlargement on bail as per Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023. He has filed necessary affidavit in compliance of the directions given in Zeba Khan Vs. State of UP and others (2026 INSC 144) at Exh. 4, giving details as follows-

A) Case Details -

Particulars	Details
FIR number and date	FIR no. 216/2026 dated 29.07.2026
Police Station	Shahupuri Police Station
District and State	Satara Maharashtra
Sections invoked	223, 123, 274, 275 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 26(2)(i), 26(2)(iv), 27(3)(e), 30(2)(a), 59 of The Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006
Maximum punishment prescribed	Imprisonment for 10 years or fine or both.

B) Custody and Procedural Compliance -

Particulars	Details
Date of Arrest of accused Bharat Gopichand Pawar	29.07.2026
Total Period of custody undergone	9 days

C) Status of trial -

Particulars	Details
Stage of proceedings	Investigation is in progress.
Charge-sheet	Not filed.
Total number of witnesses cited in the charge-sheet	Not applicable
Number of prosecution	Not applicable

witnesses examined	
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D) Criminal Antecedents of accused Bharat Gopichand Pawar -

Particulars	Details
Prior FIR number and police station	Nil
Sections	Nil
Status	Nil
(Pending / Acquitted / Convicted)	Nil

E) Previous Bail application of accused Bharat Gopichand Pawar -

Particulars	Nil
Court	Nil
Case number	Nil
Outcome	Nil

F) Coercive Process against accused Bharat Gopichand Pawar-

Particulars	Details
Whether NBW issued	No
Whether declared proclaimed offender	No

2. IO and learned APP submitted say at Exh. 5 and 6 respectively. They have strongly objected the application by submitting that offence is of serious nature. If released on bail, it is possible that accused will indulge in similar kind of offences. Accordingly, it is prayed to reject this application.

3. Heard.

4. Upon perusal of record, it seems that Vimal Paan Masala, V-1 Tobacco, Hira Paan Masala, Royal 717, Rajanigandha Paan Masala and MM Scented Tobacco worth Rs. 2840/- is seized from the custody of accused. As per M. C. R. report dated 31.07.2026, the

investigating officer has sought Magisterial Custody of accused. Thus the investigation requiring custodial interrogation appears to be over. The muddemal is already seized. In such circumstances, this Court finds that there is no reason to detain the accused behind the bar. The applicant deserves to be released on bail subject to certain conditions. Hence, the order.

ORDER

- 1 The application is allowed as follows.
- 2 Accused Bharat Gopichand Pawar, be released on bail on his executing P. B. and S.B. of Rs.25,000/- (Rs. Twenty Five Thousands Only), on following conditions:-
 - a) The accused shall attend concerned Police Station on every Wednesday between 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. till filing of the chargesheet.
 - b) The accused shall not prolong the hearing of this case due to his absence.
 - c) The accused shall not pressurize the victim and witnesses and shall not tamper the evidence.
- 3 The breach of any of the condition will lead to cancellation of bail.
- 4 Bail before learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, Satara.

(Dictated and pronounced in open Court.)

Date : 07/08/2026

(J. S. Bhatia)
Additional Sessions Judge
Satara