

**IN THE COURT OF THE III ADDL. SESSIONS JUDGE /
SPECIAL JUDGE (SPE/CBI)-I, ERNAKULAM**

**Present: Sri. P.K. Mohandas, III Addl. Sessions Judge/
Special Judge (SPE/CBI)-I, Ernakulam**

Thursday the 22nd day of January, 2026 / 2nd Magha, 1947.

Crl.M.P. No. 04/2026

In

SC No. 1650/2024

Petitioner /Accused (A1) : Akhil K, aged 29 years, S/o Velayudhan K, Kottayil house, Amayur P.O, Koppam, Pattambi, Wayanad.

By Adv. Sri. K.S. Arunkumar

Complainant/Respondent : Union of India Represented by Public Prosecutor, Session Court (CBI), Ernakulam.

Represented by **Smt. Ramya Prasad, Public Prosecutor, CBI -I Court, Ernakulam.**

This petition is came up for hearing before me on 22.01.2026 in the presence of the counsel for the petitioner and respondent and Court on same day passed the following:

ORDER

This application for modification of bail condition is filed by the 1st accused.

2. The petitioner is arraigned as the 1st accused along with others, allegedly committed criminal conspiracy and physically assaulted the

deceased Sidharthan J. S., a student of Veterinary and Animal Science College, Pookode, Wayanad on the intervening night of 16.02.2024 and 17.02.2024 inside the men's hostel and abetted him to commit suicide. The case was initially registered as Crime No. 77/2024 at Vythiri Police Station for offence u/s.120B, 341, 323, 324, 342, 355, 306, 506 of IPC and u/s. 4 and 3 of the Kerala Prohibition of Ragging Act, 1998. It was later transferred to the CBI, re-registered as RC-0502024-S0002/SC-II/CBI, and after investigation, a final report was filed before the Chief Judicial Magistrate Court, Ernakulam, on 25.04.2024. The case was committed to the Sessions Court on 13.09.2024 and is now assigned to this court for trial and disposal.

3. The petitioner was granted bail by the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala as per order dated 31.05.2024 in Bail Application No.3568/2024 imposing conditions. The conditions (vi) reads as follows; (vi) *"The petitioner shall not enter the Wayanad District till the conclusion of the trial in the above crime"*.

4. According to the petitioner he intends to attend the Betrothal Ceremony of his close friend, which is scheduled to be held on 26.01.2026 at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Kaniyaram, Mananthavady at Wayanad. A copy of the Betrothal ceremony invitation card is produced along with petition. The petitioner submits that he has been complying with the bail conditions since 31.05.2024 without any violation. The Hon'ble High Court has permitted him to approach the jurisdictional court to file application for deletion or modification

of the bail conditions. Therefore, he seeks modification of Condition No. (vi) in the bail order.

5. I have heard the counsel appearing for the petitioner and the Public Prosecutor.

6. The investigating officer filed an objection, contending that modification of the bail condition imposed by the Hon'ble High Court may allow the petitioner to tamper with evidence or influence witnesses, who are his classmates or fellow students, and it would affect the trial of the case.

7. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the investigation in the case is completed and charge sheet has been filed before this court. It is also submitted that two batches of college students, who are witnesses in this case have already passed out and therefore there is no possibility of the petitioner influencing or intimidating any witness.

8. The petitioner was granted bail by the Hon'ble High Court as per order dated 31-05-2024. The Hon'ble High Court has imposed conditions that the petitioner shall not enter the Wayanad district until the conclusion of the trial & shall not leave the State of Kerala without the previous permission of the jurisdictional court. Considering the submission of the counsel for the petitioner, I am of the view that some relaxation to the condition can be given in the bail conditions.

9. Hence, the petition is allowed and the following modifications are

made in the condition of the bail order.

1. The petitioner is permitted to enter the Wayanad district on 26.01.2026 to attend the betrothal ceremony of his friend.
2. During his stay in Wayanad district, he shall not try to contact any witness or tamper evidence.
3. All other conditions in the bail order shall stand unaltered.

Dictated to the Confidential Asst., transcribed and typewritten by her, corrected and pronounced by me in open court on this the 22nd day of January, 2026.

Appendix: Nil

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P. K. Mohandas
III Addl. Sessions Judge/
Special Judge (SPE/CBI)-I

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(By Order)

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