



Criminal Bail Application No. 3449/2026

Pranay Manohar Jambhule Vs State of Maharashtra (Hinjawadi Police Station)

A. CASE DETAILS

1. FIR Number and Date 44/2026
dated 22/01/2026
2. Police Station, District and State Hinjawadi Police Station,
Pune.
3. Sections invoked u/s. 318(4), 335,
336(2),(3), 338, 340(2),
3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya
Sanhita, and u/s. 4 and
5 of the Maharashtra
Gambling Act and u/s.
66(c) of Information
Technology Act.
4. Maximum punishment prescribed Rigorous imprisonment
up to 7 years and fine.

B. CUSTODY AND PROCEDURAL COMPLIANCE

- 1 Date of arrest 22/01/2026
- 2 Total period of custody undergone Till today.

C. STATUS OF TRIAL

1. Stage of proceedings Chargesheet is filed
(investigation/chargesheet/cognizance/charging sheet/arraignment/plea before Hon'ble JMFC,
Pudhucherry Court, Puducherry
R.C.C.1313/2026.
2. Total No of witnesses cited in the 23

chargesheet

3. Number of prosecution witness examined NA

D. CRIMINAL ANTECEDENTS

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| 1 | FIR No. and Police Station | NA |
| 2 | Sections | NA |
| 3 | Status (pending/acquitted convicted) | NA |

E. PREVIOUS BAIL APPLICATIONS

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| 1 | Court | NA |
| 2 | Case No. | NA |
| 3 | Outcomes of Case | NA |

F. COERCIVE PROCESSES

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| 1 | Whether any non-bailable warrant was issued | NA |
| 2 | Whether declared a proclaimed offender | NA |

Appearance:- Ld. Advocate Mr. Pathan Vasim Farid
for applicant/Accused.
Mr. Anilkumar Varma Ld. APP for State

ORDER BELOW EXH. 01
(Date :- 04/08/2026)

By this application, applicant **Pranay Manohar Jambhule** has applied for bail under section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in connection with CR No. 44/2026

registered with Hinjewadi Police Station, Pune for the offence punishable under sections 318(4), 335, 336(2),(3), 338, 340(2), 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, and u/s. 4 and 5 of the Maharashtra Gambling Act and u/s. 66(c) of Information Technology Act.

2] The Investigating Officer, through the Learned APP for the State, has filed a say opposing the bail application.

3] Learned counsel for the applicant submitted that the applicant has been falsely implicated and has no connection with the alleged offence. It was submitted that he was in the employment of the main accused. The applicant has been in custody for the last six months. The investigation qua the applicant is complete and the charge-sheet has been filed before the concerned Court. In view thereof, it was prayed that the application be allowed and the applicant be released on bail.

4] *Per contra*, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State opposed the application. It was submitted that the offence is serious in nature. Prima facie, the applicant was found at the spot and was caught red-handed while indulging in gambling on the online portal "Win Adda". The offence under Section 338 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 is punishable with imprisonment for life, with or without fine. It was further submitted that certain co-accused are absconding and that if the

applicant is released on bail, he may contact the wanted accused and may tamper with the prosecution evidence. It was therefore prayed that the application be rejected.

5] I have heard the parties and perused the record, more particularly the allegations in the FIR. It is alleged that on 21.01.2026 at about 22:40 hours, the applicant and his accomplices were found at Flat No. V-107, R-7, Society, Kolte-Patil Life Republic Township, Hinjewadi, Pune. It is further alleged that they were found in possession of online gambling equipment and were facilitating unauthorized online gambling through a banned betting portal "Win Adda" for their own financial gain and for the benefit of a bookie. It is also alleged that they defrauded the general public by opening bank accounts using forged documents and the identities of third persons, on the instructions of co-accused "Jay", and that they transferred money into designated accounts as directed by the said co-accused.

6] Upon consideration of the allegations in the report, it prima facie appears that the applicant was acting on the instructions of co-accused "Jay". The applicant was arrested on 22.01.2026 and was interrogated by the police for a considerable period. He has been in judicial custody since then. The muddemal allegedly found at the spot has been seized and recovered by the investigating agency. The investigating agency

does not seek further custody of the applicant. The charge-sheet against the applicant has been filed before the concerned Court vide RCC No. 1313/2026. The investigation *qua* the applicant is complete, and further investigation *qua* the absconding co-accused as well as the trial will take its own time.

7] Considering that the applicant has no criminal antecedents, that he is a permanent resident of Wardha and currently residing at Marunji, Pune, and that there is no flight risk, I am of the view that the applicant can be released on bail by imposing suitable conditions. In view thereof, I deem it fit to grant bail to the applicant. Hence, the following order:

ORDER

1. Application (Exh.1) stands allowed.
2. Applicant **Pranay Manohar Jambhule** shall be released on bail upon executing a Personal Recognizance Bond and furnishing Solvent Surety Bond in the sum of Rs. 55,000/- (Fifty Five Thousand Only), in Crime No. 44/2026 registered with Hinjwadi Police Station, Pune City for offences punishable under Sections 318(4), 335, 336(2),(3), 338, 340(2), 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, and u/s. 4 and 5 of the Maharashtra Gambling Act and u/s. 66(c) of Information Technology Act, on the following conditions:

[i] Applicant shall not, directly or indirectly, make any

inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the present case so as to dissuade him/her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer.

[ii] Applicant shall not tamper with the prosecution evidence in any manner.

[iii] Applicant shall make himself available as and when called by the investigation officer and attend each and every date of the hearing of the court proceedings before the Court concern.

[vi] Applicant shall submit his photo identities alongwith his contact details to the investigating officer.

[v] Applicant shall not leave State of Maharashtra without prior permission of the ld. Trial court.

[vi] Applicant shall not commit or repeat any crime and shall abide by the conditions imposed by this Court.

3. Bail before concerned Court.
4. Copy of this order be forwarded to the Jail Authority, police station concern and informant/ victim.
5. In terms of above, Application (Exh.1) stands disposed.

6. Case diary is returned to the learned APP.
7. Humdast is allowed if prayed.

(Dictated and pronounced in open court)

Date: 04/08/2026

(S. B. Bhansali)
Additional Sessions Judge,
Pune.

Certificate

I affirm that the contents of this P.D.F. file order are same word for word as per original order.

Name of Steno. :- V. A. Chaudhari (Steno, Grade-I)

Court Name :- S. B. Bhansali
Addl. Sessions Judge, Pune.

Date :- 04/08/2026
order signed by P.O. on :- 04/08/2026
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