



**IN THE COURT OF SPECIAL JUDGE  
AT PANVEL, DISTRICT- RAIGAD**

SPECIAL CASE NO.21/2026

The State of Maharashtra

--- Prosecution

Vs.

Ajaykumar Balbir Jhanjot

--- Accused

**Corum** - Santosh C. Shinde

**Date** – 16<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**Appearance-**

Ld. advocate Mr. Devendra Patil for the accused

Ld. Spl. P. P. Smt. Thalkar for the State of Maharashtra.

Victim's parent in person.

**Order below exh.4**

1. Heard Ld. advocate Mr. Devendra Patil for accused & Ld. Spl. P. P. Smt. Thalkar for the State.
2. Notice was issued to victim & State of Maharashtra. Say is not filed therefore, application proceeded without say.
3. Perused record.
4. FIR is registered by father victim. At the time of incident, victim was 17 years old. Wife of informant was doing labour work and victim was replacing duty of her mother when her mother was not attending the work. On 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025,

5. victim had gone on work in place of her mother but did not return. Her search was taken in vicinity but she was not found therefore, on next day FIR for kidnapping was registered. Thereafter, victim was found and after recording her statement, additional sections of the BNS, 2023 & POCSO Act were added.
6. Ld. advocate for accused submitted that victim was missing on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2025 and FIR is registered on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025. She was again missing on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2025. Statement of victim is doubtful wrongful and kidnapping is not possible in present case.
7. Ld. advocate for accused further submitted that victim has not stated that any sedative was given to her. She was in love with accused and family of victim was against the marriage therefore, this false case is registered. Investigation is completed. Recovery is made therefore, further custody is not required. Accused is ready to abide by any condition. Ld. advocate for accused is relying upon photographs of victim with accused to show their relationship.
8. Ld. Spl. P. P submitted that accused is married man. He had taken victim and kept her in confinement. Offence is serious in nature. If released on bail, accused may threat the witnesses and tamper the evidence.
9. Parents of victim submitted that accused is married man and Court is at liberty to decide bail application of the accused.

10. Record shows that on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025 victim had gone on work but she did not return therefore, on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025 complaint of kidnapping was lodged. Her search was taken in vicinity but she was not found.
11. Victim in her statement has stated that accused was familiar to her and both were talking with each other. On 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025, accused had come near the building where she had gone for work. He on motorcycle brought her in his room and kept her there for 2 days. As per victim, accused had given some pills and injections whereby she was not able to understand what was going on and during that period accused committed forcible sexual intercourse with her. From 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025 to 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025, she was with the accused.
12. IF allegations that victim was kept in confinement are considered then she was kept in room of accused which was in one labour camp. Nowhere, it has come on record that victim had raised any hue & cry about her kidnapping and alleged forcible sexual assault on her.
13. As per prosecution, accused is married man but record shows that nothing has brought on record to show such fact. Accused has come with the case that victim and he was in love but at present, there is no material to infer this fact and victim has also not stated about same.
14. Medical report of victim shows that she has undergone penetrative injury. In history, victim has not stated name of present accused. In statement recorded u/s.183 of the BNSS,

2023 she has stated that on way she met with one boy who on his motorcycle forcibly brought her to his house and kept her there for 3 days. That boy committed wrongful act with her and thereafter, left her at the place where her brother was working. In this statement also victim was not taken name of accused when she was familiar to accused.

15. In present case accused was arrested on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025 and since then he is behind bars. Necessary recoveries are made. Investigation is completed. Charge-sheet is filed. Bail is rule and jail is exception. Object of bail cannot be ignored. Bail cannot be withheld as punishment.
16. It will take time to commence & conclude the trial therefore it would not be proper to keep accused behind bars for indefinite period otherwise it will amount to pre-trial conviction. Accused can be released on bail by imposing certain conditions. As a result, I pass the following order.

#### **ORDER**

1. Application is allowed.
2. Accused Ajaykumar Balbir Jhanjot be released on bail on furnishing P.B. & S.B. of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) with one or two sureties in like amount in crime No.492/2025 registered at Kharghar Police Station, Navi Mumbai for offences punishable u/s.137(2), 64(2) (d) & 123 of the BNS, 2023, u/s.4, 8 & 12 of the POCSO Act, if he is not required in any other offence.
3. Accused by any mode of communication shall not contact to victim or her family

members and till further orders, he shall not enter the area where victim & her family members ordinarily reside or works for gain.

4. Accused shall not, directly & indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with facts & circumstances of case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the police & Court.
5. Accused shall not leave India without previous permission of the Trial Court.
6. Accused shall furnish his permanent & temporary residential proof, valid e-mail ID and mobile number.
7. Registry is directed to inform accused about this order by e-mail.

(Application is disposed of accordingly)

Panvel  
Date - 16/04/2026

**(Mr. S. C. Shinde)**  
Special Judge, Panvel  
Dist.-Raigad