

**ORDER BELOW EXH.1**

- 1) This application is filed by the applicant namely Dastagir Isak Bepari under Section 503 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023.
- 2) It is contention of the applicant that, the Police Station Sawantwadi has seized MAHINDRA BOLERO CAMPER PICK UP bearing registration no. MH-09-CU-3958 in relation to Crime No.29/2026 for the offence punishable under Section 11(1)(d), 11(1)(e), 11(1)(f) of The Prevention of Cruelty to Animal Act, Sec. 66/192, 184 of Motor Vehicle Act and Section 5(A), 5(B), 9 of Maharashtra Animal Preservation Act, 1976 and Sec. 3(5) of BNS. Therefore, he has filed present application for the interim custody of the muddemal. In support of the application, he has filed copies of R. C. Book, Insurance of vehicle, aadhar card and copy of F. I. R.
- 3) The description of the muddemal is as under:-

Vehicle	:	MAHINDRA BOLERO CAMPER PICK UP
Registration No:	:	MH-09-CU-3958
Chassis No.	:	MA1ZN2GGA81H44237
Engine No.	:	GG81H46729
- 4) Perused application, documents filed in support of it and say filed by the I.O. , APP.
- 5) Heard learned Advocate for the applicant.

6) I.O. and Ld. APP have objected the application. They contended that, if custody of muddemal is handed over to the applicant he may use the vehicle for commission of similar offence in future. Also he may sell the vehicle or change its nature. Hence, prayed for rejection of the application.

7) On perusal of record, it reveals that, the applicant is owner of seized vehicle. It is also submitted by the applicant that, he is ready to abide by all the conditions to be imposed by this Court. Considering facts of the matter no purpose would be served by keeping the muddemal in unattended condition at Police Station Sawantwadi. If muddemal remained idle, then there is possibility of getting it damaged. So there is no reason to reject present application and more particularly in view of the law laid down by the Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of **Sunderbhai Ambalal Desai V/s State of Gujrat¹**, there is no use to keep seized properties at Police Station for long period and appropriate order needs to be passed immediately regarding return of property by taking appropriate bonds as well as security for return of the property, if required at the time of trial. In the result, following order is passed :-

1 AIR 2003 SC 638.

ORDER

1. Application is allowed.
2. Police Inspector Police Station Sawantwadi is hereby ordered that, after due verification of identity of the applicant, interim custody of vehicle i.e. MAHINDRA BOLERO CAMPER PICK UP bearing registration no. MH-09-CU-3958 in relation to Crime No.29/2026 be handed over to the applicant on her executing Indemnity Bond of Rs.10,00,000/- subject to following conditions :-
 - i) Applicant is directed to co-operate with investigation machinery and directed to produced documents of seized vehicle if and when required by police.
 - ii) Applicant shall not sell, transfer or create third party interest upon the said muddemal without prior permission of this Court;
 - iii) Applicant shall not change the colour and nature of the said muddemal;
 - iv) Applicant shall produce the said muddemal as and when ordered by the Court;
 - v) Applicant shall produce two colour photographs of the said muddemal out of which one shall be from front side and other one shall be from rear side.
3. Inform Station Sawantwadi accordingly.
4. I.O. is hereby ordered to submit all relevant papers of release of above said muddemal along with final report of C. R. No.29/2026 and he shall mention in it about the return of *muddemal* property to the applicant.

Date:- 11/03/2026

(Jaheda M. Mistry)
Judicial Magistrate, F. C.
Sawantwadi.