

	<u>ORDER BELOW EXHIBIT 1</u>
	(Passed on this 01 st day of June, 2026)

1. Perused the complaint, affidavit and documents produced on record. Considering the overall facts of the case it is alleged by the complainant that the accused had issued a cheque in lieu of his legal liability and debt. Upon its presentation with the bank it came to be dishonoured. Hence, the complainant issued statutory demand notice against the accused within 30 days from the date of dishonour of cheque and demanded the accused to make payment within 15 days from the date of the receipt of the demand notice. However, the accused even after service of notice and its acknowledgement failed to comply the notice.

2. In view of the submissions made on behalf of the complainant it is noticed that the complainant has complied with the statutory requirement as mandated under section 138 and 142(b) of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881. Thereby, the complaint appears to be well within limitation and jurisdiction of this Court. Hence, the compliance of all the essential ingredients *prima facie* showcase the involvement of the accused in the alleged offence. Hence, the following order:

ORDER

Issue process against the accused for the offence punishable under section 138 of the Negotiable Instrument Act, 1881.

Date: 01-06-2026
Place: Mahabaleshwar, Satara

(Uday S. Ivare)
Judicial Magistrate First Class