

**Cri. Bail Appln. No.36/2026**  
(CNR No. MHST-21-000086-2026)

**Aniket Padhare Vs. State**  
(Phaltan Rural Police Station C. R. No.549/2025)

**ORDER PASSED BELOW EXH.04.**

(Dtd.21.02.2026)

1] This is an application preferred by accused **Aniket Vijay Padhare** for releasing him on ad-interim anticipatory bail under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023.

2] Heard Ld. Advocate Shri. R. A. Yadav for accused. Perused charge-sheet.

3] It appears from record that Crime No.549/2025 under Sections 137(2), 64(1), 64(2)(m) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (In short, hereinafter referred to as, "BNS") and Section 4, 6 and 17 of Protection of Children From Sexual Offences Act, 2012 (In short, hereinafter referred to as, "POCSO Act") is registered against this accused along with other three accused in Phaltan Rural Police Station. In this case, birth-date of victim is 29.05.2008. Her mother complainant has lodged missing complaint in respect of victim in Phaltan Rural Police Station on 28.07.2025. On the basis of said complaint, C.R.No. 549/2025 is registered. Investigation papers show that victim is having love affair with accused Gorakh Ananda Jadhav. In this case, statement of victim under Section 183 of BNSS is recorded by Ld. Judicial Magistrate, First Class, Phaltan. In said statement, victim deposed that she is having friendship with accused

Gorakh Ananda Jadhav since last two years. On 27.07.2025 at about 11:00 p.m accused Gorakh Ananda Jadhav gave mobile phone call to her, insisted her to elope with him and threatened that otherwise he will commit suicide. Therefore, victim eloped with this accused by his motorcycle on 27.07.2025 at midnight. Accused Gorakh Ananda Jadhav took her in one room situated behind Suryoday Dhaba and forcibly kept physical relations with her. Then accused Gorakh Ananda Jadhav took victim to Satara by Van at about 1:00 p.m. In the van this accused Aniket Padhare, Ramesh Tarade and Sahil Jadhav were present. They reached at Satara at about 4:00 a.m. Accused Gorakh Ananda Jadhav and victim have resided at Satara for about one month. Then on 08.09.2025 victim and complainant were taken into custody by police on Satara Railway Station and handed over to Phaltan Rural Police Station.

4] The maximum punishment prescribed for the alleged offence is imprisonment for life and fine. However, this accused Aniket has not played any vital role in the alleged offence except remaining present with accused no.1 Gorakh Ananda Jadhav and victim while proceeding to Satara. This accused is of 21 years, labour by profession and permanent resident of Mirgaon.

5] As per prosecution's case, birth-date of victim is 29.05.2008. On the date of commission of alleged offence victim was of 17 years and 2 months age. It means at the time of alleged incident victim was of age of understanding. Though victim has resided with accused no.1

Gorakh Ananda Jadhav since 27.07.2025 till 08.09.2025, she has not lodged complaint against accused at Satara though it was possible for her. Therefore, prima facie, it appears that there may be consensual sexual relationship between victim and accused Gorakh Ananda Jadhav. In this case investigation is completed and charge-sheet is filed. Therefore, now immediate custodial interrogation with this accused is not necessary. No recovery is pending against him. Considering all above stated facts, it will be just and proper to release this accused on ad-interim anticipatory bail in the event of arrest.

6] Hence, I proceed to pass the following order.

### **ORDER**

1) Ad-interim anticipatory bail application at Exh.04 is hereby allowed.

2) In the event of arrest of accused **Aniket Vijay Padhare** in connection with C.R.No. 549/2025 registered in Phaltan Rural Police Station for the offence punishable under Sections 137(2), 64(1), 64(2)(m) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 4, 6 and 17 of Protection of Children From Sexual Offences Act, 2012, he be released on P.B. and S.B. of Rs.25,000/- and on following conditions:-

i) That accused shall not, directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the court or to any police officer.

ii) That accused shall not leave India without the previous permission of the Court.

iii) That accused shall attend the Phaltan Rural police station as and when called by Investigation officer, till completion of investigation.

**PHALTAN**  
**Date : 21/02/2026**

**(R. S. Patil-Bhosale )**  
**Addl. Sessions Judge, Phaltan.**