

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/CRIMINAL REVISION APPLICATION (AGAINST CONVICTION -
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENT ACT) NO. 941 of 2026**

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RAVI MANSUKHBHAI LAKHANI
Versus
STATE OF GUJARAT & ANR.

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Appearance:

MR. MAULIK M SONI(7249) for the Applicant(s) No. 1
MS JYOTI BHATT APP for the Respondent(s) No. 1

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MS. JUSTICE GITA GOPI

Date : 10/04/2026

ORAL ORDER

1. By way of this application, the applicant - revisionist challenges the judgment of conviction and sentence dated 18.04.2024 passed by the learned 2nd Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Junagadh in Criminal Case No.6768 of 2022 under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881. The above sentence was challenged by way of an appeal and the same was confirmed on 16.03.2026 by the learned 6th Sessions Judge, Junagadh in Criminal Appeal No.48 of 2024.

2. Learned advocate for the applicant states that the revision has been raised against the concurrent finding of conviction and sentence. Learned advocate produced on record the receipt of amount of 20% of the compensation amount, deposited before the Nazir of the appellate Court.

3. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor prayed that no discretion may be exercised in favour of the applicant.

4. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and when 20% of the compensation amount has been deposited, and when the revision application will take its own time to conclude, the order of sentence requires consideration. Hence, **Rule.**

5. The sentence imposed upon the applicant - revisionist vide judgment of conviction and sentence dated 18.04.2024 passed by the learned 2nd Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Junagadh in Criminal Case No.6768 of 2022, which was upheld and confirmed on 16.03.2026 by the learned 6th Sessions Judge, Junagadh in Criminal Appeal No.48 of 2024, shall remain suspended pending hearing and final disposal of the present Revision Application and the applicant-revisionist herein is ordered to be released on bail on executing a personal bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) with one surety of the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court and subject to the conditions that the applicant-revisionist shall;

[a] pursue this Revision Application;

[b] not take undue advantage of liberty or misuse liberty;

[c] not leave India without prior permission of this Court;

6. Direct service is permitted. Registry to communicate this order to the concerned Court/authority by Fax or Email forthwith.

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(GITA GOPI,J)