

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD
R/CRIMINAL MISC.APPLICATION (FOR QUASHING & SET ASIDE
FIR/ORDER) NO. 8099 of 2026

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JAYSHREEBEN RANCHHODBHAI PRAJAPATI
Versus
STATE OF GUJARAT & ANR.

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Appearance:
SANKUL K KABRA(9304) for the Applicant(s) No. 1
PUBLIC PROSECUTOR for the Respondent(s) No. 1

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE M. K. THAKKER

Date : 29/04/2026

ORAL ORDER

1. Learned advocate Mr. Kabra for the applicant submits that the present applicant, who is a notary, has been implicated in the FIR with the allegation that the consent letter is prepared and has been notarized before the present applicant, though the complainant's signatures were forged. It is further submitted that the main beneficiary arising from the transaction has filed an application for quashing, being Criminal Misc. Application No.20140 of 2023, wherein this Court has issued the rule and has directed the Investigating Officer not to file the charge-sheet without the permission of the Court. It is submitted that another application was filed by the remaining accused for quashing of the FIR, being Criminal Misc. Application Nos.19332 and 19422 of

2023, wherein also a similar order is passed. It is further submitted that against the present applicant, the charge-sheet was filed on 23.02.2023 and in view of the bar of Section 13 of the Notaries Act, no cognizance can be taken except on a complaint made by an officer authorized by the Central Government or State Government. It is submitted that, in that background, continuation of the process against the present applicant would be an abuse of the process of law.

2. Considering the above submissions, notice returnable on 18.06.2026
3. Ad-interim relief in terms of para 8(B) of this application be granted.
4. At this stage, learned APP Mr. Raval has pointed out that complainant is present and he wants to engage an advocate. In that background, complainant is directed to engage an advocate.

Vikramsinh Amarsinh

(M. K. THAKKER,J)