

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/CRIMINAL REVISION APPLICATION (AGAINST CONVICTION) NO. 938
of 2026**

=====

VALKUBHAI LAKHUBHAI DHADHAL
Versus
STATE OF GUJARAT

=====

Appearance:

MR HARSH R JOSHI(12752) for the Applicant(s) No. 1

MR MANAN MAHETA, ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR for the
Respondent(s) No. 1

=====

CORAM:HONOURABLE MS. JUSTICE GITA GOPI

Date : 16/04/2026**ORDER**

1. **RULE.** Learned Additional Public Prosecutor waives service of notice of Rule on behalf of respondent-State.
2. By way of this application, the challenge is given to the concurrent findings of conviction and sentence passed in connection with the offences registered against the applicant under Sections 409, 465, 467, 471, 477(A) and 120(B) of the Indian Penal Code (IPC).
3. Learned advocate for the applicant Mr. Harsh R. Joshi submits there in this case, the allegations are of forging 480 bus tickets and misappropriation of Rs.71/- and apart from that, there was amount in denominations of Rs.2/- and Rs.3/-. It is further submitted that a raid was

conducted by the squad, but no squad panchnama was drawn nor any receipt was issued to the accused for seizure of the tickets. It is also submitted that the accused died during the course of the trial and the alleged printer was also recovered but for that too, no panchnama was drawn of the printer nor any denomination panchnama has been drawn, to show that the bogus tickets were printed in the bus. It was, therefore, prayed that the present application may be allowed and the sentence qua the applicant herein may be suspended and the applicant be granted bail.

4. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor prayed that no discretion may be exercised in favour of the applicant as the evidence of the necessary witnesses has been recorded and the fake tickets were found from the custody of the present, as a bus conductor and the misappropriation of Rs.71/- was undisputed.
5. Heard learned advocates appearing for the respective parties and perused the material on record. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and on the many grounds raised by the applicant, the matter requires consideration and when the Revision Application will take its own time to come for final hearing, the order of sentence requires consideration.
6. In view of the above, the order of sentence dated 30.09.2023 passed by the learned Principal Senior Civil

Judge and Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Amreli in Criminal Case No.1661 of 2003, which was upheld and confirmed by order dated 24.03.2026 passed by the learned 4th Additional Sessions Judge, Amreli in Criminal Appeal No.50 of 2023 are suspended till disposal of the Revision and the applicant is ordered to be released **FORTHWITH** on bail on executing a personal bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) and a surety of like amount to the satisfaction of the Trial Court concerned and subject to the conditions that the applicant shall:-

- [a] pursue the matter scrupulously as and when the same is listed;
- [b] not take undue advantage of liberty or misuse liberty;
- [c] not leave India without prior permission of the Court;

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

Sd/-

(GITA GOPI, J)

CAROLINE / # 147