

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/CRIMINAL MISC.APPLICATION (FOR DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE) NO. 10527 of 2026**

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HIREN SHANKARBHAI RAMEJA & ORS.

Versus

PAYALBEN D/O RAJKUMAR BHAGAT AND W/O HIREN
SHANKARBHAI RAMEJA & ANR.

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Appearance:

MR NILESH M SHAH(780) for the Applicant(s) No. 1,2,3

MS.C.M.SHAH, APP for the Respondent(s) No. 2

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MS. JUSTICE S.V. PINTO

Date : 05/05/2026

ORAL ORDER

Heard learned advocate Mr. Nilesh M. Shah appearing for the applicants and learned Additional Public Prosecutor Ms. C.M. Shah appearing for the respondent-State.

Learned advocate Mr. Nilesh M. Shah for the applicants submits that applicant No. 1 and respondent No. 2 were married on 04-08-2021 as per customary rites. Applicant No. 1 is the husband of respondent No. 1, while applicant Nos. 2 and 3 are the mother-in-law and sister-in-law of respondent No. 1, respectively.

As the applicant No. 1 and respondent No. 1 could not get along, the marriage came to an end and a divorce deed was executed between the parties on 06-06-2022,

and since then they have been residing separately. The respondent No. 1 has thereafter filed an application on 12-03-2026 before the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Jamnagar, without any justifiable cause, and despite the parties having been separated for a considerable period, the proceedings initiated under the provisions of the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 amount to an abuse of the process of law and have been filed solely with a view to harass the applicants.

Considering the aforesaid, issue **NOTICE** to the respondents, returnable on **11-09-2026**. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor waives service of notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

In the meantime, ad-interim relief in terms of paragraph 12(c) is granted till the next date.

(S. V. PINTO,J)

VISHAL MISHRA