

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/CRIMINAL MISC.APPLICATION (FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL) NO. 13891
of 2026**

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NATVARBHAI SURJIBHAI ASARI @ANSARI
Versus
STATE OF GUJARAT

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Appearance:

JIGNESHKUMAR M NAYAK(8558) for the Applicant(s) No. 1
MR TIRTHRAJ PANDYA, APP for the Respondent(s) No. 1

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE SANJEEV J.THAKER**Date : 06/07/2026****ORAL ORDER**

1. By way of this application under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (*for short, "BNSS"*), the applicant has prayed for anticipatory bail in the event of arrest in connection with the FIR being C.R. No.11209049260018 of 2026, registered with the Talod Police Station, District- Sabarkantha, for the offences punishable under Sections 316(5), 54 of the Bharatiya Nyay Sanhita.

2. Heard, the learned advocate for the applicant and learned APP for the State.

3. Considering the facts of the case, it transpires that during the investigation the main accused gave a statement against the present applicant. In the intermediate time, the

statements recorded of the other accused and the witnesses clearly state that the present applicant was on leave during certain dates from 10.02.2025 to 22.02.2025 and the fact that the present applicant himself has tried to register an FIR. Considering the same, prima facie, this Court is of the opinion that the protection is required to be granted.

4. Under the circumstances, *Notice*, returnable on 27.07.2026. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor waives service of notice on behalf of the respondent – State.

5. By way of interim relief, no coercive steps shall be taken against the applicant till the next date, on condition that the present applicant appear before the concerned Investigating Officer for recording of the statement on 09.07.2026 between 11:00 a.m. and 02:00 p.m. The investigation shall go on and the applicant shall cooperate with the investigating agency.

Direct service is permitted.

(SANJEEV J.THAKER,J)

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