

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CRIMINAL APPLICATION (DIRECTION) NO. 12807 of 2025**

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VIKAS KUMAR PANDEY
Versus
STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.

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Appearance:

MR MAULIK S SHETH(3586) for the Applicant(s) No. 1
MS MONIKA K THAKKAR(12055) for the Applicant(s) No. 1
MR ANKIT SHAH(6371) for the Respondent(s) No. 4
NOTICE SERVED for the Respondent(s) No. 2,3
MS SHRUTI PATHAK, APP for the Respondent(s) No. 1

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE HASMUKH D. SUTHAR

Date : 24/09/2025

ORAL ORDER

1. By way of the present petition, the petitioner has prayed for quashing and setting aside the Lookout Circular if any that may have been issued in connection with FIR No. 11191008250530 of 2025 registered with Chandkheda Police Station, Ahmedabad.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is a Director and owner of several companies in the United Kingdom and holds a valid UK visa until December 2026. The petitioner has travelled to UK multiple times in recent years. It is further submitted that, for the purpose of expanding his business operations in the UK, the petitioner intends to travel abroad from 25.09.2025 to 07.11.2025. An FIR has been registered against the petitioner under Sections 85, 115(2), 296(b), and 351(3) of the BNSS, as well as Sections 3 and 7 of the Dowry Prohibition Act. The issuance of a Lookout Circular against the petitioner has been recommended in a routine manner without specific justification. It is contended that the petitioner has not committed any serious offence and that the FIR arises out of a matrimonial dispute with his wife, which is purely of a personal and domestic nature.

3. In view of the above, **Notice**, returnable on **14.11.2025**. Learned APP waives notice for the respondent State.

4. Meanwhile, Lookout Circular if any that may have been issued in connection with FIR No. 11191008250530 of 2025 registered with Chandkheda Police Station, Ahmedabad is hereby suspended till **10.11.2025** and the petitioner is permitted to travel UK from **25.09.2025 to 10.11.2025** subject to deposit of **Rs.3,00,000/-**, on the following terms and conditions :

(a) The petitioner shall give travel schedule to the trial Court and the concerned Police Station with addresses of the place and the telephone numbers whenever he is leaving the country and shall also provide all the related documents to the learned Trial Court as well as to the concerned Police Station.

(b) The petitioner shall return India on or before the prescribed time period;

(c) Petitioner shall mark his presence and proceed with trial through his advocate and shall not dispute his absence during the trial proceedings.

(d) The petitioner shall deposit Rs.3,00,000/- within a period of two days.

Direct service is permitted **TODAY**.

(HASMUKH D. SUTHAR,J)

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