

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 762 OF 2026

Tanhaji Prakash Tapkir : Applicant.
Versus.
The State of Maharashtra : Respondent.

Mr.Mrunal A Surana for the Applicant.
Mr. Y M Nakhawa, APP for the Respondent/State.

CORAM : ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.

DATED : 04 MAY 2026

PC:-

1. Mr Mrunal Surana, seeks leave to add the complainant/first informant as a party Respondent to this Anticipatory Bail Application. Request made by Mr. Mrunal Surana, learned Advocate for the Applicant, is not opposed by Mr. Nakhawa, learned APP for the Respondent/State.

2. Leave is granted to amend this Anticipatory Bail Application to add the complainant/first informant as a party, Respondent No. 2. Mr. Mrunal Surana, learned Advocate for the Applicant, states that the amendment would be carried out forthwith. Permission granted.

3. Mr. Mrunal Surana, learned Advocate for the Applicant, submits that the only allegation against the Applicant is that he has favoured the award of the Society's contract to one of his relatives. He further submits that, apart from this allegation, there are no other allegations whatsoever against the Applicant. To clarify, he submits that there are no allegations of misappropriation or embezzlement of any amount by the Applicant.

4. Issue notice to the Respondents, returnable on 11 June 2026.

5. Mr. Y M Nakhawa, learned APP waives service of notice on behalf of the Respondent/State.

6. Mr. Y M Nakhawa, learned APP for Respondent No.1, states that until the returnable date, Respondent No.1 will not take any precipitative steps against the Applicant, subject to the Applicant cooperating in the investigation and appearing and reporting to the Investigating Officer on 11.05.2026, 18.05.2026, 25.05.2026 and 02.06.2026 from 11.00 am to 12.00 noon.

7. Mr. Mrunal Surana, learned Advocate for the Applicant, on instructions from the Applicant, states that the Applicant shall report to the Investigation Officer on the dates and at the time referred to by Mr. Y M Nakhawa.

8. Mr. Mrunal Surana, learned Advocate for the Applicant, states that a spare copy of the paper book will be furnished to

the Registry within 10 days to enable the issuance of notice to Respondent No. 2.

9. List this application on 11 June 2026.

(ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.)