

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1895 OF 2023

Anwar Jamal Ahmed, IFS (Retd.) ...Applicant

vs.

The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent

WITH
ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1896 OF 2023

Satish Gangadhar Phale ...Applicant

vs.

The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent

Mr.Vikas Kapile a/w Ms.Shilpa Joshi and Ms.Prachi Mantri –
Advocates for Applicants.

Mr.H.J.Dedhia – APP for Respondent – State.

CORAM : S. M. MODAK, J.

DATE : 1st MARCH 2024

P. C. :-

1. Heard the learned Advocate for the Applicants and learned APP.
2. As per the order passed by Hon'ble Chief Justice, these *praecipes* are moved for taking all Anticipatory Bail Applications on board. It is annexed by the order dated 13th July, 2023 granting an interim protection and the order dated 7th February, 2024 continuing the same.
3. On 13th July, 2023, I have not passed an order on merits but this

is nothing but a continuation of the interim protection granted by the Court of Sessions Judge – Thane. So, I *prima facie* do not feel that these Applications can be placed before me. It is for the reason that the first order is not passed on merits. There is need for some clarification. Because otherwise what will happen, such applications will be placed before courts who are not dealing with bail assignments and they will be flooded with such applications and their regular assignment will also be hampered.

4. Let Registry to verify and place them before Appropriate Bench.
5. In the meantime, for two weeks, interim protection to continue.
6. The Applicants to pursue with the Office. It is not certified by the Registry within 2 weeks, the applicant to seek further extension.

[S. M. MODAK, J.]