



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

904 ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO. 953 OF 2026

Pradip Madhukar PatilApplicant

VERSUS

The State of Maharashtra & anotherRespondents

Mr. Mukul Kulkarni, along with Mr. Suraj Bagal, Advocates
instructed by Mr. A. K. Tiwari, Advocate for Applicant.
Ms. P. J. Bharad, APP for the State.

CORAM : R. M. JOSHI, J.

DATE : 12th JUNE, 2026.

PER COURT :

1. Learned Counsel for the Applicant drew attention of the Court to the order passed by the Sessions Court rejecting the application wherein in Paragraph No. 7 of the order, observations are made which indicate that the dispute in question is civil in nature. He further submits that said observations also show that there are disputes between the parties with regard to payment to be made in respect of contractual transaction. Reference is also made with regard to the two complaints made by the informant against the Applicant and investigation being done by the police into the same and having no substance therein. It is his submission that having regard to these facts, liberty of the Applicant deserves to be protected.

2. Learned APP opposed grant of interim protection to the Applicant referring to the report of the police filed before the Sessions Court. It is her contention that there are allegations against the Applicant about fabrication of documents etc. and hence this is not a fit case to protect liberty of the Applicant.

3. Prima facie perusal of the observations made by the Sessions Court in Paragraph No. 7 of the order indicates that there is substance in the contention of learned Counsel for the Applicant. Applicant has no criminal history. In the circumstances, till the prosecution is heard, liberty of the Applicant deserves to be protected.

4. Hence, the following order :-

ORDER

(i) Till next date, in the event of arrest of applicant Pradip Madhukar Patil in connection with Crime No. 0246/2026, registered with Satara Police Station, District Chhatrapati Sambhajanagar, or the offences

punishable under Sections 318(3), 338, 336(3), 340(2) read with Section 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, he be released on bail on furnishing PR Bond of Rs. 30,000/- (Rs. Thirty Thousand only) with one surety in the like amount.

(ii) He shall attend the concerned police station as and when called.

(iii) He shall not contact the witnesses directly or indirectly.

(iv) He shall not interfere with the evidence in any manner whatsoever.

(v) He is further directed to cooperate the investigating agency for further investigation.

(vi) Learned APP to communicate this order to the concerned Investigating Officer.

5. Issue notice to respondent returnable on 02.07.2026 . Learned APP waives service of notice on behalf of the State.

(R. M. JOSHI, J.)