



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH AT NAGPUR

CRIMINAL APPLICATION [ABA] NO.492 OF 2026

[Sarita Ram Kishor Kumar Singh .vs. State of Maharashtra]

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appearances, Court's orders of directions
and Registrar's orders

Court's or Judge's orders

Mr. A.A. Dhawas, Advocate for Applicant.
Ms. Mukta R. Kavimandan, AGP for Respondent-State.

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CORAM : PRAVIN S. PATIL, J.

DATE : 15-06-2026.

1. Heard.
2. Issue notice to the respondent, returnable after three weeks.
3. Learned APP waives service of notice on behalf of the respondents and seeks time to file reply.
4. By this application, the applicant is apprehending the arrest in Crime No.0474/2026 registered with Police Station, Rajura, District-Chandrapur for the offences punishable under Section 108 read with Section 3(5) of the [Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023](#)
5. The allegation against the present applicant is that due to the complaints lodged by the present applicant against him (deceased) he was left no choice than to commit the suicide and, therefore, on the basis of this allegation, the offence came to be registered against the present applicant in the matter.
6. The applicant has pointed out from the record that she was continuously stocked by the present applicant and was misbehaved with her. In support of her submission, the applicant

has placed on record the police complaint filed by the applicant and the offence registered against the deceased. As such, at this stage, prima facie, whether the offence under Section 108 of BNS is made out or not can't be concluded, the same can be concluded only after the full investigation is done in the matter.

7. The learned APP strongly opposed the present application and states that the reply of the State would be necessary in the matter before granting the interim relief.

8. It is well settled position of law that in the case of suicide, mere allegation of harassment of the deceased could not suffice unless some action on the part of accused is demonstrated which compels the person to commit the suicide. In such cases, offending action ought to be proximate to the time of occurrence. In the present case, it is not clear from the FIR that offending action is proximate to the time of occurrence of suicide of deceased. Therefore, considering the facts of the present case, in my opinion, the applicant's liberty can be protected till the filing of the reply by the learned APP in the matter.

9. In the facts and circumstances of the matter and the document which applicant has placed on record, in my opinion, the applicant is entitled for ad-interim protection. Hence, the following order is passed :

ORDER

(i) In the event of arrest in connection with Crime No.0474/2026 registered with Police Station, Rajura, District-Chandrapur for the offence punishable under Section 108 r/w Section 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the applicant-Sarita Ram Kishor Kumar Singh be released on ad-interim

anticipatory bail on executing P.R. Bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- with one surety in the like amount.

(ii) The applicant shall attend the concerned Police Station on every Thursday from 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM and cooperate the investigation.

(iii) The applicant shall, at the time of execution of bond, furnish her address and telephone/mobile number (s), to the investigating officer and the court concerned, and shall not change the same till the final disposal of the case.

(iv) The applicant shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any witness acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade her from disclosing such facts to the court or any Police Officer.

(v) The applicant shall not obstruct or hamper the police investigation and not play mischief with the evidence collected or yet to be collected by the investigating officer.

(vi) In case of breach of any conditions, the learned trial court is at liberty to cancel the bail after giving opportunity of hearing to both the sides.

Stand over to 7th July, 2026.

(PRAVIN S. PATIL, J.)