

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIRCUIT BENCH AT KOLHAPUR

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO.262 OF 2026

Rahi Vitthal Kulkarni

... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and another

... Respondents

Mr. Satyam Nimbalkar (through V.C.)a/w Mr. Sudeep Bhosale and Mr. Saiprasad Patil, for the Applicant.

Mr. S.H. Yadav, A.P.P, for Respondent - State.

Mr. Inamdar, P.S.I, EOW, Satara.

CORAM : M. W. CHANDWANI, J.

DATE : 6th MAY, 2026.

P. C. :

1. The applicant is apprehending arrest in connection with Crime No.1168 of 2025 registered with Karad City Police Station, District Satara for the offences punishable under Sections 61, 316 (2), 316 (4), 318 (4), 336 (3), 338, 339, 340 (2), 3 (5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Sections 3 and 4 of the Maharashtra Protection of Interest of Depositors (in Financial Establishments) Act, 1999 (MPID Act), 1999.

2. Issue notice to the non-applicants returnable on 12th June, 2026.

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3. Learned A.P.P waives service on behalf of non-applicant No.1 – State.
4. It is contended that the applicant is not a beneficiary of the alleged transaction. It is further contended that the applicant was a sleeping director of the company alongwith her husband Vitthal Kulkarni It is submitted that more than sixteen accused have already been granted anticipatory bail. The applicant undertakes to co-operate with the investigating agency.
5. Learned A.P.P seeks time to file reply. He submitted that a direction to attend the concerned Police Station is necessary. In view thereof, the following order is passed.

: ORDER :

(a) Pending the application, in the event of arrest, Applicant - **Rahi Vitthal Kulkarni** shall be released on bail upon furnishing a P.R bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- with one solvent surety in the like amount, in connection with Crime No. 1168 of 2025 registered with Karad City Police Station, District Satara for the offences punishable under Sections 61, 316 (2), 316 (4), 318 (4), 336 (3), 338, 339, 340 (2), 3 (5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Sections 3 and 4 of the Maharashtra Protection of Interest of

Depositors (in Financial Establishments) Act, 1999 (MPID Act), 1999.

(b) The applicant shall attend the E.O.W office at Satara on 12th May, 2026, 16th May, 2026 and 19th May, 2026 and cooperate with the Investigating Agency.

(c) The applicant shall not tamper with the prosecution evidence or threaten the prosecution witnesses in any manner.

6. List on 12th June, 2026 with connected Anticipatory Bail Applications.

[M. W. CHANDWANI, J.]