

**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN AT
JODHPUR**

S.B. Criminal Misc(Pet.) No. 1733/2026

1. Swami Phul Puri, Aged About 36 Years, Resident Of Om Vishwa Deep Gurukul, Jardan Marwar, Jadan Khalsa, District Pali Rajasthan
2. Nemichand Chopra S/o Shri Khinvraj Chopra, Aged About 78 Years, Resident Of 7-12, marudhar Keshari Nagar, Manpura Bhakri Road, Pali Rajasthan

----Petitioners

Versus

1. State Of Rajasthan, Through Pp
2. Swami Uma Puri S/o Franz Check, Resident of 1210 Wien, Obrien Gasse 52, Austria presently Residing At Maheshwaranand Ashram, Jadan, Police Station Kotwali, Pali, District Pali Rajasthan

----Respondents

For Petitioner(s)	:	Mr. K.L. Thakur with Mr. Lakshit Choudhary, Mr. M.S. Panwar Mr. Naresh Saraswat
For Respondent(s)	:	Mr. Vikram Singh Rajpurohit, PP Mr. Naman Mohnot for resp. No.2. Mr. Madan Singh, RPS, C.O., Pali.

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BALJINDER SINGH SANDHU

Order

25/03/2026

The instant Criminal Miscellaneous Petition has been preferred by the petitioners under Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS), seeking quashing of FIR No. 22/2026 registered at Police Station Kotwali Pali, District Pali, for the offences under Sections 61(2), 318(4), 319(2), 336(3) and 340(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (BNS).

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the FIR is based merely on an apprehension that the petitioners have created certain documents by obtaining the thumb impression of "Swami Ji." It is submitted that no such documents have been created by the petitioners and that the alleged incident only pertains to obtaining thumb impressions on bank-related documents in terms of a resolution dated 11.01.2021.

It is further submitted that the entire FIR is based on a misplaced apprehension. The petitioners are ready and willing to appear before the Investigating Officer and place on record all relevant documents along with their explanation, however, such an opportunity is being denied to them. Learned counsel has also raised a concern regarding the DVR which has been taken into possession by the Investigating Officer.

Learned counsel for the respondent-complainant does not dispute the proposition put forth by the petitioners, however, he submits that the petitioners should clearly demonstrate that no such forged or valuable documents have been created or used by the petitioner, and the Investigating Officer may be permitted to investigate the matter on these aspects.

In view of the submissions made above, this Court is inclined to interfere in the matter.

The petitioners are directed to appear before the Investigating Officer and submit their documents along with a

representation, whereupon the Investigating Officer shall consider the same objectively in accordance with law.

Issue notice to the respondents.

Learned Public Prosecutor accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Learned counsel Mr. Naman Mohnot accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.2.

In the meanwhile, and till the next date of hearing, the petitioners shall not be arrested in connection with FIR No. 22/2026 registered at Police Station Kotwali Pali, District Pali. However, the petitioners shall join the investigation.

The Investigating Officer shall duly consider all the contentions raised by the petitioners and conduct the investigation fairly. The Investigating Officer is directed to submit a status report on or before 24.04.2026.

(BALJINDER SINGH SANDHU),J