

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN
BENCH AT JAIPUR

S.B. Criminal Miscellaneous (Petition) No.6879/2025

Ajay Jorwal S/o Shri Choottan Lal Meena

-----Petitioner

Versus

State of Rajasthan & Anr.

-----Respondents

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Anurag Sharma

For Respondent(s) : Mr. Manvendra Singh Shekhawat, PP

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANAND SHARMA

Order

11/11/2025

It is submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that in the impugned FIR No.266/2024, which has been registered under Sections 7 & 7A of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and Section 61(2) of B.N.S., the only allegations levelled against the petitioner are that he has asked the contractor/complainant to make payment of some of the amount for conducting an inauguration ceremony to be conducted in respect of the project completed by the contractor pursuant to the work order earlier issued to him.

It is further submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that there is no allegation whatsoever of demanding of bribe and so far as the expenses which are incurred on inauguration ceremony, they are reimbursable to the contractor as per Rule 529 of Public Works Financial and Accounts Rules.

It is also submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that subsequent to lodging of FIR, the complainant raised bill with regard to charges of stone laying and inauguration ceremony; for

which accusation of demand was alleged against the petitioner and on submitting such bills, the amount was also sanctioned to the contractor. It is further submitted that in quite malicious manner, allegations have been levelled against the petitioner and at no point of time, any recovery whatsoever has been made from the petitioner.

In view of above, the petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on or before 20.11.2025 and to co-operate with the investigation. The Investigating Officer is directed to conduct the investigation and interrogation with the petitioner and to submit his report on the next date.

Let the matter be listed on 3rd December, 2025.

Till then, no coercive action shall be taken against the petitioner.

(ANAND SHARMA),J