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IN THE COURT OF SESSIONS, AT DINDOSHI
(BORIVALI DIVISION), GOREGAON, MUMBAI

ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO.1999 OF 2022
(CNR NO.MHCC050066722022)

1. Mr. Narendra Singh Mojawat,
Age: 35 years; Occ: Business,
A-4, Chandrauday Chawl, Mahakali Caves,
Near BMC qtrs, Andheri(East),
Mumbai 400093.

2. Mr. Shambhu Singh,
Age- 34 years, Occ: Business,
Om Datta Welfare Society,
Om Datta Mandir Road, Somwari
Bazar, Malad(West),
Mumbai-400064.

...Applicants/Accused

V/s.

1. State of Maharashtra
(Through the Kandivali police station).

....Respondents

Ld. Advocate Vaibhav Shah for the Applicants/ Accused.
Ld. Advocate Amit Kumar for intervener.
Ld.APP Smt. Usha Jadhav for the State.

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CORAM: H.H.THE ADDITIONAL SESSIONS JUDGE

SHRI N.L.KALE

(C.R.NO.14)

DATE : 3rd January, 2023.

ORDER

This is an application u/s.438 of the Criminal Procedure Code 1973 filed by the applicants for seeking Anticipatory Bail in C.R.No.1394/2022, registered at Kandivali police station, for the offences punishable under sections 420, 465, 468 & 471 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 r/w Section 51 & 63 of Copyrights Act 1957.

Brief facts which gives rise to file the present application are as under: -

2. That, the complainant Subhash Jaiswal is working as Chief-Investigation Officer in S.G.S.I.P.R. consultancy Company. Asian Paints Ltd. Company has authorised the complainant's Company to take action and to find out any infringement of copyrights of their products. Accordingly, complainant has given a training by Asian Paints Company for the same. On 11/11/2022 the complainant, police staff, panchas raided Mahavir Colours and Electronic Hardware Shop situated at Vijay Kunj Bldg. Bajaj Road, Kandivali (West). They raided the said shop as an information was received to the complainant that bogus and duplicate sell of paint of Asian Paints Company is going on for the said shop.

3. When the complainant, police and panchas raided the said shop at that time person namely Narendra Singh Mojawat (Applicant No.1) was present all counter of said shop. Raiding party informed the

purpose of their visit to applicant No.1. In search of said shop, they found cans containing Asian Paints colour. Logo present on said cans was different one. So also a font of sticker/words on those cans is different one than original font. It was also noticed that, Bar Code present on those cans was destroyed. Hence, complainant came to conclusion that the contents in those cans were not of Asian Paints Company, but the said paint was duplicate one. In said raid police seized muddemal amounting to Rs.7,17,540/- i.e. duplicate products of Asian Paints Ltd. Company. The said muddemal kept by this accused for the purpose of selling to customers.

4. Therefore, a complainant lodged report with police on the basis of which the present crime is registered against the applicants and other co-accused persons.

5. Now, by filing this application, both the accused claiming pre-arrest bail for them. According to them, they are not concerned with alleged duplicate seized muddemal. According to them, they have purchased the same from other retailer for Asian Paints etc. They further alleged that, they have not destroyed Bar Code present on seized muddemal. They are ready to co-operate to investigation and now nothing is to be seized from them.

6. This application is strongly resisted by the prosecution by filing reply vide Exh. 2. According to prosecution, offences alleged are serious and heavy quantity of duplicate muddemal of Asian Paints product

is found in possession of the accused. Prosecution further contained that, the applicants deliberately destroyed/ tampered Bar Code present on those boxes and cans. According to prosecution, for detail investigation, custodial interrogation of the applicants is necessary.

7. In this matter, intervener (Org. complainant) is appeared and he also strong resisted the prayer by filing written objection vide Exh.3. According to him, offences alleged by against both the applicants are serious. The applicants fabricated, forged and erased Bar Code on seized muddemal with an intention to destroy the evidence only. He prays to reject the prayer.

8. Heard Ld. Advocate appearing for the applicants and Ld. APP Smt. Jadhav and Ld. Advocate for original complainant. Perused written objection filed by original complainant.

9. Ld. advocate of the applicants relied upon an order dated 22/12/2022 passed in ABA No.2029 of 2022, filed by co-accused-Ramsurat Gupta. By the said order, one of the co-accused is released on anticipatory bail by this Court itself. Ld. advocate for applicants submitted to grant pre-arrest bail to them on a ground of parity.

10. It is a fact that, investigation is going on. But, on perusal of an order in ABA No.2029 of 2022, it reveals that one of the co-accused in this crime in whose possession similar kind of muddemal was found is released on anticipatory bail by this Court itself. In that order, specific findings are

recorded to effect that, already disputed muddemal is recovered and custodial interrogation of the said applicant is not necessary. From the said order, it further appears that other co-accused in this crime is also released on anticipatory bail by an order in ABA No.1990 of 2022. Thus, it appears that, other co-accused in this crime against whom similar charges are levelled have been released on pre-arrest bail. The case of present applicants and those co-accused, to whom anticipatory bail has been granted stands on same footings. In a result, both the applicants are entitled for pre-arrest bail on a ground of parity.

11. Considering the above facts and also considering the fact that, already muddemal in this crime is recovered, I am of the view that, this is a fit case in which discretion can be used in favour of the applicants. Hence, I pass following order.

ORDER

1. Anticipatory Bail Application No.1999/2022 is allowed.
2. The **applicant Nos.1-Narendra Singh Mojawat & applicant No.2-Shambhu Singh**, be released on anticipatory bail on executing personal bond in the sum of Rs.20,000/- (Twenty Thousand Rupees Only) with one or two sureties in the like amount, in the event of his arrest in Crime No.1394/2022 registered with Kandivali Police Station for the offence punishable under Sections 420, 465, 468 and 471 of I.P.C. r/w Section 51 and 63 of Copyrights Act, on the following conditions:
 - (i) They shall attend police station twice a month i.e. on 1st and 15th day of month till filing of charge-sheet.
 - (ii) They shall co-operate with the Investigation Officer.

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- (iii) They shall not tamper with the prosecution evidence.
- (iv) They shall not travel abroad without previous permission of the Investigation Officer during investigation and after filing of charge-sheet of the learned Metropolitan Magistrate.
- (v) They shall remain present on the day of filing of charge-sheet, if any, filed in the court of Magistrate.
3. Inform the concerned Police Station, accordingly.
4. Anticipatory Bail Application No.1999/2022 stands disposed of, accordingly.

(Order pronounced in open Court)

Date: 03.01.2023

**(N.L.KALE)
THE ADDL.SESIONS JUDGE
CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS COURT,
BORIVALI DIVISION, DINDOSHI**

Order dictated on computer : 29.12.2022
Order typed on : 03.01.2023
Checked, corrected & Signed on : 03.01.2023

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“CERTIFIED TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL SIGNED JUDGMENT/ORDER.”

UPLOAD DATE

AND TIME : 03/01/2023 at 04.15 P.M.

Ms. S.S.Chudji

NAME OF STENOGRAPHER

Name of the Judge (with Court Room No.)	HHJ Shri N. L. Kale (Court Room No.14)
Date of Pronouncement of Judgment/Order	03/01/2023
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