

**Order Below Exh. 1 in Cri. B. Appln. No. 301/2022**  
**CNR No.MHNS010009292022**

**Pankaj Bhagwan Mali & 4 others Vs. State**

**Heard:** Ld. Adv. Mr. S. P. Wadje for the applicants.

1. This is an application under section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure since the applicants apprehend arrest in an offence (under section 498-A of the Indian Penal Code, 1860) which may get registered against them at Adgaon Police Station, Nashik by the complainant Swapnali Pankaj Mali.

2. Learned Advocate for the applicants has submitted that the applicants have reason to believe that an offence may get registered against them by the applicant No. 1's wife Swapnali Pankaj Mali. She has filed a complaint with the Women's Cell and they have been receiving phone calls from the Adgaon Police station. Applicants are ready to abide by the terms and conditions imposed by the Court and also co-operate with the investigating agency. Custodial interrogation of the applicants is not necessary.

3. Prima-facie, the complainant is the legally wedded wife of applicant No. 1 and the other applicant are her in-laws. The FIR is not yet registered. In view thereof, I am inclined to allow the application in terms of the following order.

**: ORDER :**

- 1] Application is allowed.
- 2] Adgaon Police Station, Nashik is directed to give 72 hours prior notice to arrest the applicants (Pankaj Bhagwan Mali, Bhagwan Namdeo Mali, Bebibai Bhagwan Mali, Sitaram Daga Mahajan, Priyanka Sitaram Mahajan) in case an offence against them is registered by the complainant Swapnali Pankaj Mali under section 498-A of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.
- 3] Application is disposed of accordingly.

Nashik  
04/03/2022

Mridula Bhatia  
District Judge-2 and  
Additional Sessions Judge, Nashik.