



2026:AHC:65545

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

CRIMINAL MISC. BAIL APPLICATION No. - 9682 of 2026

Rakesh Kushwaha

.....Applicant(s)

Versus

State of U.P.

.....Opposite Party(s)

Counsel for Applicant(s)	:	Manvendra Narain Pathak, Ram Krishna Paramhans Singh
Counsel for Opposite Party(s)	:	Divyansh Rai, G.A.

Court No. - 67

HON'BLE ARUN KUMAR SINGH DESHWAL, J.

1. Heard Sri Manvendra Narain Pathak, learned counsel for the applicant, Sri Divyansh Rai, learned counsel for the first informant and Sri Anand Pratap Singh, learned A.G.A. for the State and perused the record.
2. The instant bail application has been filed with a prayer to release the applicant on bail in Case Crime No. 214 of 2024, under Sections-103(1), 61(2)(A) BNS, Police Station-Bankata, District-Deoria, during the pendency of the trial.
3. The contention of learned counsel for the applicant is that the applicant was neither named in the FIR nor in the statement of the first informant, and that the version given in the statement of the first informant is entirely different from the version mentioned in the FIR. It is further submitted that the only allegation against the applicant is that he conducted *reiki* prior to the incident in question, and there is no incriminating material against him. It is further submitted that co-accused Deepak Maddheshiya alias Tamatar and Ankit Gaud and Sunil Chauhan, have already been released on bail by a coordinate Bench of this Court in Criminal Misc. Bail Application Nos. 25705 of 2025, 1402 of 2026 and 27983 of 2025 vide orders dated 09.09.2025, 23.03.2026 and 13.10.2025. Therefore, the applicant is also entitled to be released on bail on the ground of parity. It is further submitted that the applicant has explained the criminal history of three cases in the accompanying affidavit. It is further submitted that charge sheet has been filed in the present case, therefore, there is no requirement of custodial interrogation. The applicant is a law abiding citizen and he is languishing in jail since 17.11.2024. In case, he is granted bail,

he will not misuse the liberty of bail and would cooperate in the trial proceedings.

4. Per contra, learned counsel for the first informant and learned A.G.A. have vehemently opposed the prayer for bail but could not dispute the aforesaid facts.

5. Considering the entire facts and circumstances of the case, submissions of learned counsel for the parties and keeping in view the nature of offence, evidence, complicity of the accused and taking into account overcrowded jails and heavy pendency of criminal cases before the trial courts as well as considering the mandate of the judgement of the Apex Court in the case of **Kapil Wadhawan vs Central Bureau of Investigation** reported in **2025 SCC OnLine SC 3038** and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I am of the opinion that the applicant is entitled to be enlarged on bail.

6. Let the applicant- **Rakesh Kushwaha**, involved in the aforementioned crime be released on bail, on his furnishing a personal bond and two sureties each in the like amount, to the satisfaction of the court concerned, with the following conditions:-

i. The applicant shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer or tamper with the evidence.

ii. The applicant shall cooperate in the trial/investigation sincerely without seeking any adjournment.

iii. The applicant shall not indulge in any criminal activity or commission of any crime after being released on bail.

iv. The applicant shall attend in accordance with the conditions of the bond executed by him.

7. In case of breach of any of the above conditions, it shall be a ground for cancellation of bail.

8. Identity, status and residence proof of the applicant and sureties be verified by the court concerned before the bonds are accepted.

9. It is made clear that the applicant shall be released on the basis of computer generated copy of this order, downloaded from the official

website of High Court Allahabad and verified by the concerned counsel with the undertaking that the certified copy will be filed within 15 days.

10. It is further directed that the trial court shall send the release order to the concerned jail through Bail Order Management System (BOMS) to ensure early release of the applicant.

11. Office is directed to send a copy of this order to the applicant through concerned Jail Superintendent via e-mail or e-prison portal in compliance of the order of the Apex Court in the case of **Policy Strategy for Grant of Bail, In Re: Suo Motu Writ Petition (Crl.) No.4 of 2021 decided on 31.01.2023** reported in **(2024) 10 SCC 685**.

March 30, 2026
S.C.

(Arun Kumar Singh Deshwal,J.)