



2026:AHC:56036

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

**CRIMINAL MISC. ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION U/S 482 BNSS No.
- 2638 of 2026**

Afzal Ali

.....Applicant(s)

Versus

State of U.P. and Another

.....Opposite
Party(s)

Counsel for Applicant(s)	:	Manju Pandey
Counsel for Opposite Party(s)	:	G.A.

Court No. - 72

HON'BLE JITENDRA KUMAR SINHA, J.

1. Heard Ms. Manju Pandey, learned counsel for the applicant, Mr. Chandra Shekhar Saran, learned A.G.A. for the State and perused the record.

2. The present application has been moved seeking anticipatory bail in Case Crime no.45 of 2026 under Sections 3, 4, 5 & 6 of Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, Police Station Kaushambi, District Ghaziabad, with the prayer that in the event of arrest, applicant may be released on bail.

3. It has been argued by the learned counsel for the applicant that applicant is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. It is further submitted that the applicant was not named in the FIR and the name of the applicant has been surfaced in the confessional statement of co-accused Rahul. It is also submitted that Sumit Rawat and Nirdosh Kasana have already been granted bail by the learned Sessions Court. It was also submitted that applicant undertakes to co-operate during trial and he would appear as and when required by the investigating agency or Court. It has been stated that in case, applicant is granted anticipatory bail, he shall not misuse the liberty of bail and will co-operate with the investigation and would obey all conditions of bail.

4. On the other hand, learned A.G.A. has opposed the application for anticipatory bail and it has been submitted by him that police raided premises on some confidential information and some women were recovered. It was found that illegal sex trade was carried out by the applicant.

5. The women, who were recovered, in their statement stated that co-accused Rahul was Manager of the said business and when Rahul was arrested, the name of the applicant has been surfaced in his statement. The said co-accused Rahul has already been granted regular bail by the learned Sessions Court. It is also submitted that the applicant is having no criminal history.

6. It may be stated that in case of **Siddharam Satlingappa Mhetre v. State of Maharashtra, (2011) 1 SCC 694**, it has been held by Hon'ble Supreme Court that while deciding anticipatory bail, Court must consider nature and gravity of accusation, antecedent of accused, possibility of accused to flee from justice and that Court must evaluate entire available material against the accused carefully and that the exact role of the accused has also to be taken into consideration.

7. In the instant case, considering the settled principle of law regarding anticipatory bail, submissions of the learned counsel for the parties, role of applicant and all attending facts and circumstances of the case, without expressing any opinion on merits, a case for anticipatory bail is made out.

8. The anticipatory bail application is **allowed**.

9. In the event of arrest of the applicant- **Afzal Ali** involved in the aforesaid case crime shall be released on anticipatory bail on furnishing a personal bond of Rs. 50,000/- with two sureties each in the like amount to the satisfaction of the Court concerned with the following conditions :-

(i) The applicant shall not tamper with evidence and that he would appear before the trial Court on the date fixed unless exempted by the Court concerned;

(ii) 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/her/them from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;

(iii) The applicant would co-operate during trial and would not misuse the liberty of bail.

(iv) The applicant shall not leave India without prior permission of the Court concerned.

10. In default of any of the conditions, the prosecution shall be at liberty to file appropriate application for cancellation of anticipatory bail granted to the applicant.

(Jitendra Kumar Sinha,J.)

March 18, 2026

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