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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO.3642/2022

DALE JACINTO S/O. SABBY JACINTO

..APPLICANT

VS.

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA

..RESPONDENT

Adv. A. V. Upadhyay a/w. Adv. Roli S. Singh h/f. Adv. Hemang Upadhyay for the applicant.

Ms. A. A. Takalkar, APP for State.

PI Rani Puri, Vanrai Police Station.

PSI Tanaji Patil, Vanrai Police Station.

CORAM: M. S. KARNIK, J.

DATE: JANUARY 17, 2023.

P.C.:

- Heard learned counsel for the applicant and learned
 APP for the State.
- 2. This is an application for pre-arrest bail in respect of First Information Report (FIR) No.529/2022 registered with Vanrai Police Station, for the offence punishable under Sections 419, 420, 467 read with 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (hereafter 'IPC' for short) read with Sections 66(B), 66(C), 66(D), 72A, 75 of the Information Technology Act, 2000.
- 3. The applicant is an employee of the data entry

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company which was raided by the team led by the investigating officer. It is alleged that the raid was conducted as it was suspected that the data entry company was conducting a call centre without any authorization or permissions. The entire data and the laptops have been seized and sent to the Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) for the investigation. The applicant was not present when the raid was conducted. Those who were present at the time of the raid, were released on bail by the order passed by the Sessions Court. In this view of the matter, the custodial interrogation of the applicant is not required as he has cooperated with the investigation.

4. Learned APP, however, submits that the applicant shall make himself available as and when required by the investigating officer as the investigation is in progress. There is one criminal antecedent reported against the applicant of the year 2018. However, in my opinion, having regard to the nature of the accusations in the present matter, the criminal antecedent against the applicant which is of the year 2018 is not such to deprive the applicant a facility of bail. Hence the following order.

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ORDER

- (a) In the event of arrest of the applicant-Dale Jacinto s/o. Sabby Jacinto in connection with FIR No.529/2022 registered with Vanrai Police Station, the applicant shall be released on bail on his furnishing P. R. bond in the sum of Rs.15,000/- with one or more sureties in the like amount.
- (b) The applicant shall report to the concerned police station as and when called.
- (c) The applicant to co-operate with the investigating officer.
- (d) The applicant shall furnish the details of his residential address and phone number to the investigating officer.
- (e) The applicant shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing the facts to Court or any Police Officer and should not tamper with evidence.
- 5. The application is disposed of.

(M. S. KARNIK, J.)