

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

Special Criminal Bail Application 148 of 2024

Azeemuddin

vs.

The State

For the Applicant : Mr. Ahmed Ali Hussain,
Advocate
Mr. Azeemuddin, Applicant

Date of hearing : 07.11.2024

Date of announcement : 07.11.2024

ORDER

Agha Faisal, J. (1) Urgency granted. (2) Learned counsel undertakes to place on record certified copies, true translations etc. during the course of the week; application disposed of in terms herein. (3) The applicant seek protective bail, in respect of F.I.R. No.Appg-64/DCI/R&A/Raja Shakeel/FIR/2017 registered on 21.07.2017 before Directorate General of Intelligence and Investigation-FBR (Custom Enforcement) pertaining to offence/s under Section/s 32(1) & (2) and 32A read with Section 18C, 19 and 79 of the Customs Act, 1969 punishable under section 156(1), (10A) (14) and (14A), *ibid* further read with Section 3, 6, 33 and 34 of the Sales Tax Act, 1990 and Section 148 of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001.

Learned counsel submits that the applicant has been erroneously implicated in the FIR, and intends to surrender before the concerned trial Court, however, in order to be enabled in such regard seeks to be admitted to protective bail.

In view of the foregoing, and without advert to the merits of the case¹, the applicant is admitted to protective bail from the date hereof till end of Court hours on 13-11-2024 or upon surrender of the applicant before the trial Court, whichever is earlier, subject to furnishing solvent surety in the sum of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only), and a personal recognizance bond, in the like amount, to the satisfaction of the Nazir of this Court. This Special Criminal Bail Application stands disposed of accordingly. The warrants issued against the applicant stands suspended in the tenancy hereof.

JUDGE

¹ *Mukhtar Awan vs. The State* reported as 1990 PCrLJ 617; *Sabir Hussain vs. The State* reported as 1999 MLD 2208.