

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH KARACHI
Crl. Bail Application No.2288 of 2024
(Adnan Iqbal v. the State)

Date	Order with signature(s) of Judge(s)
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For hearing of bail application

07.11.2024

Mr. Muhammad Waseem Khan, advocate for the applicant
Mr. Muhammad Iqbal Awan, Additional Prosecutor General
Complainant in person
SI Abdul Khaliq of PS Boat Basin Karachi

Mohammad Karim Khan Agha, I:- Applicant Adnan Iqbal was booked in FIR No.323/2024 under Section 420/408 PPC registered at PS Boat Basin Karachi. He applied for post arrest bail before the Court of Additional Sessions Judge-VI (South) Karachi which was declined vide order dated 21.09.2024. Hence the applicant has approached this Court for post-arrest bail.

2. Brief facts of the case are that the complainant is Recovery Officer in a company known as I-Logistic Private Limited and it was disclosed that the applicant had misappropriated valuable documents and cash of Rs.5,88,547/- and cheques of Rs.15,66,650/- which were later encased, hence, the aforesaid FIR was lodged against the present applicant.

3. I have heard learned counsel for the applicant, learned Addl. Prosecutor General Sindh, complainant in person and perused the documents available on record.

4. At the very outset, the offence for which the applicant has been charged carries a sentence of less than 10 years imprisonment and the general rule is that bail should be granted in such like cases unless exceptional circumstances exist. There is no exceptional circumstance existing in this case in order to decline the bail. The case is based on documents which have been recovered and the applicant cannot tamper with. The charge has already been framed as such the applicant is no longer required for further investigation. The amount involved is also not huge one. The complainant on behalf of the Company confirms the

alleged misappropriation was made and has no objection if the applicant is granted bail.

5. Based on the above discussion, I find this case to be one of the further inquiry and hereby grant the present applicant Adnan Iqbal post-arrest bail subject to furnishing his solvent surety in the sum of Rs.100,000/- and P.R. bond in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

6. This order is based only on a tentative assessment of the evidence and the learned IInd Judicial Magistrate Karachi (South) shall proceed and decide the case on merits expeditiously within three (03) months of the date of this order. Copy of this order shall be sent to concerned trial Court for compliance.

7. The instant criminal bail application stands disposed of in the above terms.

JUDGE