

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

Special Criminal Bail Application 38 of 2026

Muhammad Asif

VS.

The State

For the Applicant : Dr. Shahab Imam, Advocate
Mr. Nisar Rind, Advocate
Mr. Muhammad Asif, Applicant

Date of hearing : 06.03.2026

Date of announcement : 06.03.2026

ORDER

Agha Faisal, J. (1) Urgency granted. (2) Granted subject to all just exceptions (3) The applicant seeks protective bail, in respect of F.I.R. No.1/2026 registered on 02.03.2026 before Directorate of Intelligence & Investigation (IR) Karachi, pertaining to offence/s under Section/s 3,4,8, 20,21 & 22 of the AML Act 2010 read with Section 33(11) & (13) of the Sales Tax Act,1990

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

3. In view of the foregoing, and without adverting to the merits of the case¹, the applicant is admitted to protective bail from the date hereof till end of Court hours on 12-03-2026 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.

4. This Special Criminal Bail Application stands disposed of accordingly.

Judge

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