

Order Sheet
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH KARACHI
CrI. Bail Application No.879 of 2026
(Junaid Amanullah v. the State)

DATE

ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGES

1. For orders on MA No.4601/2026
2. For hearing of bail application

17.06.2026

Ms. Fatima Jameela Jatoy, advocate for the applicant
Mr. Qamaruddin Nohri, Deputy Prosecutor General
Mr. Farooq Ahmed Shah, advocate for the complainant

Applicant Junaid Amanullah seeks post arrest bail in Crime No.434/2025 registered by PS Soldier Bazar, Karachi under Section 489-F PPC. Earlier bail application moved on behalf of the applicant was dismissed vide order dated 25.02.2026 by the learned Xth-Additional Sessions Judge, Karachi East.

The complainant alleged in FIR that in 2023 he advanced Rs. 21 lacs to the accused for business purposes. Upon demand for repayment, the accused failed to return the amount and instead offered to arrange government jobs for the complainant's relatives, which he never did. The accused subsequently issued a cheque of Rs. 21 lacs, which was dishonoured, leading to the registration of FIR No. 295/2025 under Section 489-F PPC. Thereafter, the parties entered into a compromise before the competent court, pursuant to which the accused issued 18 cheques towards repayment. However, five of those cheques were dishonoured, and despite repeated demands, the accused failed to make payment, resulting in the registration of the present FIR.

I have heard learned counsel for the applicant as well as the learned Deputy Prosecutor General and have perused the material available on record.

The offence under Section 489-F PPC carries a potential sentence of three years and thus falls within the non-prohibitory clause of Section 497 Cr.PC. If the remissions are included, the sentence shall reduce to

two years. The applicant has been in jail since 06 months. The trial has not been concluded. To say this, he would have been undergone the sentence before he is adjudicating his guilt. The only ground agitated by learned counsel for the complainant and learned Deputy Prosecutor General Sindh is that two other criminal cases are against this gentleman, however, in both cases there is no conviction order. On balance, he is entitled to bail however further higher surety amount is being set in view of his previous cases. I have also been informed that the complainant has not filed a summary suit for recovery of the amount which indicates that criminal process has been used for the purpose of recovery. Accordingly, the applicant is admitted to post-arrest bail subject to his furnishing a solvent surety in the sum of Rs.500,000/- and PR bond in the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court.

JUDGE

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