IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT, MIRPURKHAS

Crl. Bail Application No.S-539 of 2026

(Ikhtiar Ali @ Salman vs. The State)

Applicant : Ikhtiar Ali @ Salman s/o Mukhtiar
Through Mr. Asif Ali Khokhar, Advocate.

Respondent : The State
Through Mr. Ghulam Abbas Dalwani, D.P.G.

Date of hearing : 03.11.2026

Date of Order : 03.11.2026

O R D E R

NISAR AHMED BHANBHRO, J: Through the instant bail application, applicant Ikhtiar Ali @ Salman seeks post-arrest bail under Section 497 Cr.P.C in F.I.R bearing Crime No.74 of 2026, registered at police station Tando Adam for offences punishable under Sections 365-B, 34 PPC 3/4 of Child Marriage Restraint Act, 2013. His earlier application for post arrest bail was dismissed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge/Gender based Violence Court, Khipro vide order dated 07.10.2026 in Criminal Bail Application No.355 of 2026, whereafter he invoked the jurisdiction of this Court.

2. The facts of the prosecution case in brief are that complainant Shahbaz alleged that his sister namely Shamila aged about 13 years was abducted by accused Zulifqar Ali, Ashiq Ali, Mst. Razia & Salman with intention to commit Zina and solemnize forcible marriage.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant contended that there is delay of 08 days in registration of FIR and alleged abductee has contracted marriage of free-will with Zulifqar Ali and appeared before High Court Circuit at Hyderabad where she denied allegation of abduction. Learned D.P.G concedes to the position.

4. On 27.10.2026 complainant was present and sought time to engage counsel, but thereafter, he failed to turn up even after service he is not in attendance.

5. The case of the applicant calls for further inquiry as no specific role has been assigned to him by the elopement. Alleged abductee Shamila appeared before High Court Circuit at Hyderabad and filed Petition No.S-415/2026 and stated that she

has contracted marriage of free-will. Consequently, applicant Ikhtiar Ali @ Salman is admitted to post-arrest bail, subject to his furnishing solvent surety in the sum of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand), together with a personal recognizance bond in the like amount, to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court.

6. Needless to observe that the findings and observations recorded herein are purely tentative in nature and confined to the disposal of the instant bail application. The learned trial Court shall decide the case strictly on the basis of the evidence brought before it, independently and without being influenced by any observation contained in this order.

7. The instant Bail Application stands disposed of

JUDGE

"Chander Kumar"