

admitted. The maximum sentence u/s 489-F PPC is 3 years. Apparently, the case does not fall within prohibitory clause. The challan has already been submitted and the applicant is not required for any further investigation as per statement of learned APG. The trial has already commenced and the applicant is regularly attending the same whereas, witnesses of the complainant are not attending the trial. The applicant has made out a case of harassment at the hands of complainant as despite his co-operation with the prosecution/I.O, who had already submitted challans, the trail has not commenced.

Reliance is placed on the case of **Riaz Jafar Natiq v. Muhammad Nadeem Dar and others [2011 SCMR 1708]** and **Abdul Ghafoor Gondal v. The State through PG Punjab and another [2020 SCMR 861]**.

In view of the above, the ad-interim pre-arrest bail granted to the applicant vide order dated 15.10.2020 is confirmed on the same terms.

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