

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

Special Criminal Bail Application 134 of 2024

Abdul Sattar

vs.

The State

For the Applicant : Mr. Barkat Ali Awan, Advocate

Mr. Abdul Sattar, Applicant

Date of hearing : 28.10.2024

Date of announcement : 28.10.2024

ORDER

Agha Faisal, J. (1) Urgency granted. (2) Learned counsel undertakes to place on record certified copies, true translations etc. during the course of the week; application disposed of in terms herein. (3) The applicant seeks protective bail, in respect of F.I.R. No.ASO-732/2019-(HQ) registered on 10.11.2019 before Anti-Smuggling Organization/HQ, N.M.B. Wharf, Karachi, pertaining to offence/s under Section/s 2(s), 156(2), 157(2) and 178 of Customs Act, 1969, punishable under clauses 8 & 89 of Section 156(1) *ibid*, read with Section 3 of Import & Export Control Act, 1950.

Learned counsel submits that name of the applicant has not been mentioned in the FIR. He states that his name has been falsely implicated in the challan and warrants for his arrest has been issued. 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.

In view of the foregoing, and without advert to the merits of the case¹, the applicant is admitted to protective bail from the date hereof till end of Court hours on 03-11-2024 or upon surrender of the applicant before the trial Court, whichever is earlier, subject to furnishing solvent surety in the sum of Rs.100,000/- (Rupees One Lac only) and a personal recognizance bond, in the like amount, to the satisfaction of the Nazir of this Court. This Special Criminal Bail Application stands disposed of accordingly. The warrants issued against the applicant stands suspended in the tenancy hereof.

JUDGE

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