

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH KARACHI

Crl. Bail Application No. 2015 of 2025

DATE

ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGES

For hearing of bail application.

13-10-2025

Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Advocate for applicants.
Mr. Zahoor Shah, Additional Prosecutor General

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Omar Sial, J: Irshad and Sajjad seek post-arrest bail in crime number 103 of 2025 registered under section 381 P.P.C. at the Gizri police station. The F.I.R. was registered on 28.02.2025 on the complaint of Mohammad Abdul Qadir, who reported an incident that occurred between 14 and 27 February 2025. He stated that Irshad worked at his house as a domestic help and that on 14.02.2025, he took a four-day leave to attend a religious gathering. During the interim, the complainant's mother discovered cash and gold missing from her cupboard. Irshad returned on 18.02.2025, but the family was suspicious that he was the person who had stolen the money and gold. On 27.02.2025, the family handed over a single cheque to the police, which they said had been stolen and recovered from Irshad's locker. When Irshad was arrested, he named several people as his accomplices, including Sajjad, who had taken away the rest of the stolen things. Sajjad was the only one arrested among those named, but no recovery was effected from him.

2. I have heard the learned counsel for the applicants and the learned Additional Prosecutor General. Several notices were issued to the complainant, but it seems he was not interested in effecting an appearance.

3. The delay in lodging the F.I.R. for the theft has not been explained. On 14.02.2025, the robbery was discovered but not reported until two weeks later. The manner in which Irshad was

arrested also requires further inquiry. It seems rather odd and unnatural, on a tentative assessment, that he would dispose of all the stolen items but retain one cheque leaf in his locker, which was also allegedly found by the complainant and given to the police. Nothing is on record at the moment to show that the complainant even possessed the cash and valuables he says were robbed. Sajjad was arrested solely because Irshad said in police custody that he was a part of the plan. Whether or not a co-accused's statement would be sufficient to convict Sajjad will have to be determined after evidence is led at trial. Given the facts of the case, upon a tentative assessment, the case against the applicants is one of further inquiry. They are therefore admitted to post-arrest bail against a surety of Rs. 100,000 each, together with P.R. Bonds in the same amount.

JUDGE