



IPC and where *prima facie* allegations are of involvement of the petitioner in his capacity as father-in-law of the victim.

The High Court, while rejecting the petitioner's prayer for anticipatory bail by the order dated 12.02.2021, granted him 90 days' time to surrender but it appears that the petitioner has not availed of the concession extended by the High Court and has not surrendered. However, it is submitted that the chargesheet has already been filed in this case.

In the totality of circumstances, while this petition is dismissed but, in the interest of the justice, the petitioner is extended yet further time to surrender before the Court concerned within two weeks from today. Till then, no coercive steps be taken against the petitioner. If 48 hours' advance notice is given to the local public prosecutor before moving the bail application, the Court concerned may decide the bail application preferably on the same day on its own merits and in accordance with law, uninfluenced by any observation made in the impugned order.

Pending applications are also disposed of.

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