

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO.1764 OF 2021

Mr. Umesh Deepak Makhija	..Applicant
Versus	
The State of Maharashtra	..Respondent

Mr. Satyam H. Nimbalkar a/w Mr. Sudeep Deshmukh, Advocates for the Applicant.

Mrs. J. S. Lohokare, APP for the Respondent – State.

Mr. Karadkar, PI, Hill Line Police Station – present.

CORAM : NITIN W. SAMBRE, J.

DATE : 6th DECEMBER, 2021

PC.

1. Applicant was arrested on 28th August, 2020 and charge-sheeted for an offence punishable under Section 364A, 201, 120B r/w 34 of IPC.

2. Allegations against the applicant are that, he along with co-accused with common intention kidnapped the complainant for ransom. It is further alleged that conspiracy was hatched by the applicant along with co-accused and the evidence of crime was destroyed.

3. Prayer for bail is opposed by the learned APP on the ground that there is strong evidence available on record and the offence is serious one punishable with life.

4. I have considered the submissions.

5. Applicant has already suffered incarceration for more than one year. There are no criminal antecedents against the applicants and he is very much available to face the trial.

6. Even if applicant is identified by the complainant and counsel for the applicant has claimed technical defects while conducting identification parade, this Court is not required to appreciate the same. Suffice it to say that the applicant is very much available for facing prosecution and there are no criminal antecedents, applicant be released on bail in Crime No.220 of 2020 registered with Hill Line Police Station for the offence punishable under Sections 364A, 201, 120B r/w 34 of IPC on executing P. R. bond of Rs.25,000/- with one local surety in the like amount.

7. Applicant shall attend the police station in first two weeks of English calender of each month till the conclusion of trial.

8. Applicant shall neither influence the witnesses in any manner nor tamper with the evidence.

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