

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

**CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 2454 OF 2022
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 3002 OF 2022
IN
CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 2454 OF 2022**

Rahul Shivaji Kanegaonkar	...Applicant
Versus	
The State Of Maharashtra	...Respondent

**AND
CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 2455 OF 2022
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 3001 OF 2022
IN
CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 2455 OF 2022**

Suryakant Maruti Nalawade	...Petitioner
Versus	
State Of Maharashtra	...Respondent

Mr. Kuldeep Patil i/b. Adv. Ranjeet Patil for the applicant in BA/2454/2022
 Mr. Ashok Mundargi, Sr. Adv. a/w. Mr. Kuldeep Patil & Mr. Ranjeet Patil i/b. Adv. Saili Dhuru for the applicant in BA/2455/2022
 Mr. A. A. Palkar, APP in both the BAs
 Mr. Suddatta Patil i/b Adv. Sakshi S. Kadam for the intervenor/original complainant

CORAM : NITIN W. SAMBRE, J.

DATED : 14th SEPTEMBER, 2022

P.C.:

1. Heard.
2. Both the applicants are arrested in the crime no. 212 of 2022

based on the trap conducted by the respondent on 05/08/2022 resulting into registration of crime on 06/08/2022 under section 7 & 7(a) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

3. I have heard the respective counsels at length.

4. Learned APP in response to the Court's query informed that the investigation in the matter is over.

5. However, learned counsel for the complainant through interim applications submits that the applicant-Nalawade is an executive engineer and has tried to influence the complainant through his friends and relatives.

6. As such, the complaint moved by the complainant is treated as NC as allegations therein are vague. However, this does not preclude the complainant from moving complaint through investigating agency or before this Court for cancellation of bail in case the specific threat to that effect is alleged.

7. In the aforesaid background, considering the statement made by learned APP and the fact that the investigation in the matter is almost over, case for grant of bail is made out.

8. The applicants are directed to be released on bail in C.R. No.212 of 2022 registered with Sanjaynagar Police Station for the offence punishable under sections 7, 7(a) of the Prevention of

Corruption Act, 1988 on executing P.R. Bond in the sum of Rs 15,000/- each with one or more sureties in the like amount.

9. The applicants shall neither directly or indirectly try to influence the prosecution witnesses or complainant nor tamper with the evidence.

10. Till the charge is framed both the applicants shall keep themselves away from the jurisdiction of the police station.

11. The bail applications stand disposed of.

12. In view of the disposal of the bail application, interim application also disposed of.

(NITIN W. SAMBRE, J.)