

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

BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1819 OF 2022

Sonu Surajbhan Ujainwal ..Applicant
VS.
The State of Maharashtra ..Respondent

Mr. Dheeraj Panchange for the Applicant.

Ms. A. A. Takalkar, APP for the State.

API C.B. Bagul, Ulhasnagar Police Station.

CORAM : M. S. KARNIK, J.

DATE : FEBRUARY 9, 2023

P.C. :

- 1.** Heard learned counsel for the applicant and learned APP for the State.
- 2.** This is an application for bail by the applicant- Sonu Surajbhan Ujainwal, in connection with C.R. No.I-232 of 2018 dated 02/10/2018, registered with Ulhasnagar Police Station, under sections 302, 323 read with 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.
- 3.** It is alleged that the applicant and 2 others assaulted the deceased. Initially, the deceased was assaulted by fist and kick blows. After the deceased started running 3 accused chased him. It is alleged that the present applicant

with the other accused, assaulted the deceased on his head, with a paver block. There are eyewitnesses who have seen the applicant assaulting the deceased.

4. Learned counsel for the applicant submitted that the applicant is in custody for 4 years and 6 months. It is further submitted that the applicant is partially disabled and has a steel rod inserted in his legs.

5. Considering the manner in which the offence is committed I am not inclined to enlarge the applicant on bail. The application is rejected.

6. Learned counsel for the applicant makes a request to expedite the trial. Considering the applicant is in custody for more than 4 years and 6 months, if a request for expediting the trial is made to the trial court, the same shall be considered on its own merits.

7. The application is disposed of.

(M. S. KARNIK, J.)