



**IN THE JUDICATURE OF HIGH COURT AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

932 BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1036 OF 2025

Anil Pralhad Sonawane
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra

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Advocate for Applicant : Senior Counsel Mr. Deshpande a/w Ms. Priyanka A.
Deshpande i/b Mr. Shreyas S. Deshpande
APP for Respondents-State: Mr. P. P. Dawalkar

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CORAM : ARUN R. PEDNEKER, J.

Dated : June 25, 2025.

PER COURT :-

1. Heard learned counsel for the applicant and the learned APP for the respondent-State.
2. The applicant is seeking bail as he was arrested in connection with FIR No.107/2025, registered at Hasnabad Police Station, Tq. and District Jalna, for the offense punishable under Section 109 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.
3. The case against the applicant is that, on 09/05/2025 at about 15:50 hours, information was received by the police from one Yogesh Santosh Sonwane, who, while being treated at the hospital, stated that he had gone along with the accused to consume liquor. On that day, there was a marriage ceremony of their nephew, and they had travelled by motorcycle to Nalani Phata. At the hotel of one Vitthal Sakhare, they consumed liquor. After paying the bill and proceeding to leave, the informant was suddenly assaulted from behind by the applicant/accused with a knife, allegedly due to previous enmity.
4. Pursuant to the said incident, an FIR was lodged by the informant, and the applicant was arrested and taken into custody on 09/05/2025. The

charge-sheet is yet to be filed. The applicant seeks bail.

5. The learned APP strongly opposes the grant of bail, submitting that there are two eyewitnesses to the incident. He further submits that the injury certificate produced on record indicates that the injuries sustained by the informant are stab wounds, inflicted by knife.

6. The injury certificate produced on record shows that the informant sustained three stab injuries, which are described as simple in nature. The applicant is in custody since 09/05/2025. The investigation is almost complete and the weapon used in the offence has also been recovered.

7. Considering the nature of the injuries, the stage of investigation, and the fact that the trial is likely to take time to conclude, this Court is of the opinion that the applicant is entitled to be released on regular bail.

8. In view of the above, the application is allowed in the following terms: -

a] The applicant shall be released on bail in connection with FIR No.107/2025, registered at Hasnabad Police Station, Tq. and District Jalna, for the offense punishable under Section 109 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, on furnishing PR bond of Rs.25000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

b] The applicant, upon being released on bail, shall not contact the informant, in any manner whatsoever, during the pendency of the trial.

c] The applicant shall co-operate with the trial Court and he shall attend each and every date, unless exempted by the trial Court.

d] The applicant shall not tamper with the evidence of the prosecution and he shall not influence the informant, witnesses and other persons concerned with the case.

e] The applicant, upon being released on bail, shall place on record of the trial Court the details of his Contact Number and residential address with updates in case of any change.

9. Needless to say, in case of violation of any of the aforesaid conditions, the bail granted to the applicant shall be liable to be cancelled. It is also clarified that the observations made in this order are limited to the disposal of the present bail application. The concerned Court shall proceed further in the matter without being influenced by the observations made hereinabove.

10. The application stands disposed of.

(ARUN R. PEDNEKER, J.)

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