

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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1770 OF 2025

Dnyaneshwar @ Nanya Vasant Bodare Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra Respondent

Mr. Shailesh D. Chavan a/w Mr. Prathmesh Bankar & Ms. Sampada Patil, Advocate for the Applicant.

Mr. S. S. Chaudhari, A.P.P., for the Respondent – State.

Mr. Vikas D. Yadav, ASI Shirval Police Station - present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 3rd NOVEMBER, 2025.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the Applicant is seeking regular bail in connection with C.R. No. 841 of 2022 registered with Phaltan Rural Police Station, for the offences punishable under Sections 397, 395, 386, 307 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short, “IPC”) and Sections 4 & 25 of the Arms Act, 1959 and Sections 3(1)(ii), 3(2) and 3(4), 4 of the Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act, 1999 (for short, “MCOC Act”).

2. It is prosecution’s case that on 26th November, 2022 around 8:00 a.m. the Applicant and co-accused demanded a ransom amount

of Rs.50,000/- from the employer of the first informant and assaulted him using stone, wooden rod, fist and kick blows with intention to kill him. Further, they took mobile handset worth Rs.10,000/-, and key of motorcycle from the possession of the first informant.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the Applicant that the Applicant is behind bar around three years, yet charge has not been framed. It may take time to conclude the trial, and requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that the Applicant is habitual offender and he has antecedent. If the Applicant is released on bail, he may threaten the first informant and his employer. Learned APP further submitted that the blood stained clothes and weapons used in the offence have been recovered at the instance of the Applicant and he has been identified in T.I. parade, and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both learned counsel. Perused F.I.R. and document produced on record.

6. The Applicant is behind bar around three years, yet charge has not been framed. The Applicant has been acquitted from the two offences registered against him. Investigation is completed and charge

sheet has been filed. Considering these facts, I pass following order:

ORDER

- i. Application is allowed.
- ii. The Applicant be released on bail in connection with C.R. No. 841 of 2022 registered with Phaltan Rural Police Station, on furnishing P.R. Bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.
- iii. The Applicant shall attend the concerned police station as and when required.
- iv. The Applicant shall not enter Phaltan Taluka except attending the Court dates till recording of evidence of first informant and his employer.
- v. The Applicant shall remain present before the trial Court on each date unless exempted by the Trial Court.
- vi. The Applicant shall not tamper with the evidence or attempt to influence or contact the complainant, witness or any person concerned with the case.
- vii. The Applicant shall inform his latest place of

residence and mobile number immediately after being released and/or change of residence or mobile details, if any, from time to time to the Investigating Officer.

7. The application is allowed in the aforesaid terms and is accordingly disposed off.
8. It is made clear that the above observations are made only for the purpose of granting bail and the Trial Court shall decide the case on its own merits in accordance with law and uninfluenced by the observations made in this order.
9. All concerned to act on the authenticated copy of this order.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)