

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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 3407 OF 2025

Tejas Satgonda Kamble

.... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

.... Respondents

Mr. Gaurav Kalekar, Advocate for the Applicant.

Ms. Veers Shinde, A.P.P., for the Respondent – State.

PSI Khot, Shivajinagar Police Station, Ichalkaranji - present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 3rd NOVEMBER, 2025.

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1. By this application, the Applicant is seeking regular bail in connection with C.R. No.577 of 2021 registered with Shivajinagar Police Station, Ichalkaranji, District: Kolhapur, for the offences punishable under Sections 306, 386, 395, 504 and 506 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short, “IPC”) and Sections 3 and 25 of the Indian Arms Act and Section 3(1)(ii), 3(2), 3(4) of the Maharashtra Control Organised Crime Act, 1999 (for short, “MCOC Act”).

2. It is prosecution’s case that the Applicant and co-accused tortured the first informant mentally and physically, demanding

money and took her gold ring. Due to continuous harassment by the Applicant and co-accused, the deceased committed suicide on 7th November, 2021.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the Applicant that the deceased had written the suicide note. In the suicide note, the name of the Applicant is not mentioned. The co-accused Aniket Badave whose name is mentioned in the suicide note has been released on bail by the trial Court. The Applicant is entitled for bail on principle of parity. The Applicant is behind bar for around four years. There is no progress in the trial, and requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that the Applicant has three antecedents. Witness Suraj Devalkar has stated that the Applicant had demanded Rs.1,00,000/- from the deceased. There was involvement of the Applicant in the crime. If the Applicant is released on bail, he may threaten the prosecution witnesses, and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both learned counsel, perused F.I.R. and documents produced on record.

6. The Applicant's name is not mentioned in the suicide note. The co-accused Aniket Badave, whose name is mentioned in the

suicide note has been released on bail by the trial Court. The role attributed to the Applicant is lesser than that of Aniket Badave. The Applicant is behind bar for around four years. Investigation is completed and charge-sheet has been filed. There is no progress in the trial. It may take time to conclude the trial, and I pass following order:

ORDER

- i. Application is allowed.
- ii. The Applicant be released on bail in connection with C.R. No.577 of 2021 registered with Shivajinagar Police Station, Ichalkaranji, District: Kolhapur, 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 in Ichalkaranji Taluka except attending Court date, till recording the evidence of the first informant.
- 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.
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.)