

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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 3514 OF 2025

Ravindra @ Changalya @ Rangya

Haridas @ Hadya Bhosale

....Applicant

Vs.

The State of Maharashtra

....Respondent

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Mr. Priyal G. Sarda a/w Mr. Onkar Bajaj advocate for the Applicant

Ms. Veera Shinde APP for the State

PHC Bharate, Karmala Police Station, Solapur Rural, present.

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CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 24th NOVEMBER 2025

P.C.

1. By this application, applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No.123 of 2024 registered with Karmala Police Station, District Solapur for the offences punishable under Sections 302 read with Section 34 of the Indian Penal Code (for short "IPC").

2. It is prosecution's case that on 24th February, 2024, applicant murdered the father of first informant on the ground of old dispute. Initially offence was registered against the unknown person. Thereafter, on supplementary statement of the first informant was

recorded. In the said statement she has taken the name of the applicant and thereafter applicant has been arrested.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for applicant that initially the offence was registered against the unknown person. The supplementary statement of the first informant is recorded on 3rd March 2025, around 11 months after the incident. The applicant has been falsely implicated in this case. He is behind bar around eight months. Investigation is completed and charge-sheet has been filed. Hence, requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that applicant has eight antecedents and two MCOC matters are pending against him. He is habitual offender. There is delay in lodging the supplementary statement is mentioned. If applicant released on bail, he may threaten the first informant and prosecution witnesses. Hence, requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both learned counsels, perused the FIR and documents produced on record. As per the prosecution's case, the incident is happened on 24th February, 2024, whereas initially the offence was registered against the unknown person. On 3rd March 2025 the supplementary statement of the first informant is recorded and in the said statement she has taken the name of the applicant

stating that the applicant had made extra judicial confession before her about the murder of deceased. The evidentiary value of extra judicial confession needs to be corroborated with other evidence and it requires trial. The applicant is behind bar for more than eight months. Considering these facts, I pass the following order :

ORDER

- (i) Application is allowed;
- (ii) The applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No.123 of 2024 registered with Karmala Police Station, District Solapur, on executing P.R.Bond in the sum of Rs.20,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.
- (iii) The applicant shall not tamper with the evidence or attempt to influence or contact the first informant, witnesses or any person concerned with the case.
- (iv) The applicant shall not enter into jurisdiction of Karma Police Station till recording of evidence of the first informant except attending the trial Court dates.
- (v) The Applicant shall attend the Trial Court dates, regularly.

6. The application is allowed in the aforesaid terms and is accordingly disposed off.

7. 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.

8. All concerned to act on the authenticated copy of this order.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)