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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 3530 OF 2025

Parasappa Venkappa Kulali	Applicant
Vs.	
The State of Maharashtra	Respondent

Mr. Ranjeet H. Patil Advocate for the Applicant
Ms. P. S. Rane APP for the State

**CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.
DATE : 16th OCTOBER 2025**

P.C.:

1. By this application, applicant is seeking regular bail in C.R. No. 500 of 2024 registered with Tembhurni Police Station, District Solapur for offences punishable under Sections 178, 180, 181, 3(5) of The Bhartiya Nyay Sanhita, 2023.

2. It is the prosecution's case that on 18th August 2024, on secret information, police intercepted one vehicle. In search of the said vehicle, police found co-accused alongwith counterfeit notes. It is alleged that the applicant is involved in production and distribution of counterfeit notes and Rs. 6 Lakhs were transferred to the applicant.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for applicant that this

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Court has released co-accused Laxmikant Allagi and Sagar Baravkar in whose possession, counterfeit notes were found. There is no recovery at the instance of the applicant, except allegations of possessing counterfeit notes. Applicant is behind bar for more than one year. Investigation is completed and charge-sheet has been filed. The applicant has no antecedents and requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that the applicant is part of group which prepares counterfeit notes and distribute the market. It is an attack on economy of this country. If the applicant is released on bail, he may threaten prosecution witnesses and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both learned counsels, perused F.I.R. and documents produced on record. The allegation against the applicant is possessing counterfeit notes of Rs. 6 Lakhs, but, no amount is recovered at the instance of the applicant. The co-accused have been released on bail. Hence, the applicant is entitled to bail on the principle of parity.

6. In view of above, I pass following order:

ORDER

- I. The Application is allowed.
- II. The Applicant be enlarged on bail in C.R. No. 500 of 2024 registered with Tembhurni Police Station, District Solapur on executing PR.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 witnesses or any person concerned with the case.
- IV. The Applicant shall attend the Trial Court dates, regularly.
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.]