

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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 3646 OF 2025

Yogesh Prabhakar Karvekar

Chandradeep Kiran Jhotal

...Applicants

Versus

The State Of Maharashtra

...Respondent

Mr. Pratik G. Tare a/w Mr. Sachin Y. Mane, Advocate for the Applicants.

Mr. S. H. Yadav, A.P.P., for the Respondent – State.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 8th DECEMBER, 2025.

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1. By this application, Applicants are seeking regular bail in Crime No. 378 of 2025 registered with Shivajinagar Police Station, Ichalkaranji, District Kolhapur for offences punishable under Sections 109, 189(2), 189(4), 191(2), 191(3), 190, 352, 351(2), 238, 324(4), 191(2) of Bhartiya Nyay Sanhita, 2023 (for short, “BNS Act”).

2. It is the prosecution’s case that on 2nd June 2025, around 11.00 a.m. to 11.30 p.m., Applicants and co-accused assaulted the first informant and his friends using a sharp weapon with an intention to kill them on the ground of old dispute.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for Applicants that entire incident is recorded in CCTV. In the said CCTV footage, presence of the Applicants are not seen. The co-accused Yuvraj Jadhav, having similar allegations has been released on bail. Hence, the Applicant is entitled for bail on the ground of principle of parity, and requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that Applicants were part of the group which assaulted the first informant and his friends with an intention to kill them. The Applicant was seen in the CCTV footage and which is identify by the complainant and his frineds. If the Applicant are released on bail, they may threaten prosecution witnesses and requested to reject the application.

6. I have heard both learned counsels, perused F.I.R. and documents produced on record. CCTV footage of the incident shows that Applicant were present at the spot of incident. The co-accused, having similar allegations have been released on bail. The Applicant is entitled for bail on the ground of principle parity.

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

ORDER

I. The Application is allowed.

II. The Applicants be enlarged on bail in Crime No. 378 of 2025 registered with Shivajinagar Police Station, Ichalkaranji, District Kolhapur on executing P.R. Bond in the sum of Rs. 20,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.

III. The Applicants shall not tamper with the evidence or attempt to influence or contact the witnesses or any person concerned with the case.

IV. The Applicants shall attend the Trial Court dates regularly.

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

VI. 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.)