

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIRCUIT BENCH AT KOLHAPUR
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 159 OF 2025**

Dhruv Rajeshkumar Chikara ...Applicant

Versus

State of Maharashtra ...Respondent

**WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 307 OF 2025
IN
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Dipti SinghApplicant

IN THE MATTER BETWEEN

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a/w Mr. Satyam Nimbalkar a/w Mr. Yash Saxena a/w Mr.
Abhishek Arote for the applicant
Mr. Gaurav Parkar (Through VC) for the intervener
Mr. A. S. Shalgaonkar APP for the State
Mr. M. G. Chavan, PSI, Karad City Police Station.

**CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.
DATE : 24th SEPTEMBER 2025**

P.C.:

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in

Crime No. 1068 of 2024 registered with Karad City Police Station, District Satara for offences punishable under Sections 103(1) of Bhartiya Nyay Sanhita, 2023.

2. It is the prosecution's case that deceased was classmate of the applicant and they were studying together. They were in relationship. The applicant used to harass the deceased, when he found her talking with other boys. It is alleged that on the day of incident, there was quarrel between the applicant and deceased and applicant pushed the deceased from the balcony of the flat. The deceased fell down, suffered various injuries and died while taking treatment.

3. It is the contention of learned senior counsel for applicant that applicant is student of medical college. He was best friend of the deceased, he had no reason to push the deceased from the balcony. The deceased herself had jumped from the said balcony as the applicant had noticed video of the deceased with other boy. Learned senior counsel further submitted that investigation is completed and charge-sheet has been filed. There is no reason to keep the applicant behind the bar. Applicant has no antecedent. Hence, requested to allow the

application.

4. It is the contention of learned APP alongwith learned counsel for the first informant that admittedly, at the time of incident, the applicant and deceased were present in the room. Witnesses had heard sounds from the room of the applicant. The deceased had suffered injury to her eye which is anti mortem injury. The leg of the applicant was fractured. It shows that there was scuffle between them and the applicant pushed the deceased from the balcony. He has murdered the deceased. Earlier also, he was harassing the deceased when she would talk with other boys. The Applicant is possessive in nature. If applicant is released on bail, he may threaten prosecution witnesses. Applicant's father has lodged a false NC against father of the deceased. Hence, requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard all the learned counsels, perused F.I.R. and documents produced on record. There is no dispute that at the time of incident, the applicant and deceased were present in the same room. Whether deceased was pushed by the applicant from the balcony of the said room or she has jumped herself and

committed suicide is part of trial. The applicant is a medical student. Investigation is completed and charge-sheet has been filed. If the applicant is kept behind the bar, it will ruin his educational life.

6. Considering these facts, further detention of applicant is not required and I pass following order :

ORDER

I. The Application is allowed.

II. The Applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No. 1068 of 2024 registered with Karad City Police Station, District Satara 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 first informant, witnesses or any person concerned with the case.

IV. Applicant shall attend the Trial Court dates, regularly.

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

8. In view of disposal of Bail Application, Interim Application No. 307 of 2025 is disposed of accordingly.

9. 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.

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

[SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.]