

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

Anticipatory Bail Application No. 1162 of 2025

Hanumant S/o Laxman Suryavanshi ... Applicant

versus

The State of Maharashtra ... Respondent

Mr Deepak Natu a/w Ms Gayatri Soni i/b N Deepak & Co., for the Applicant.

Mr M G Patil, APP, for Respondent / State.

PI Balasaheb Khade, Crime Branch Raigad, is present.

Coram: R.N. Laddha, J.

Date: 25 June 2025

P.C.:

. The learned Counsel for the applicant submits that sole allegation against the applicant pertain to a phone call allegedly made to the relatives of the informant. During this call, the applicant is said to have threatened that an FIR would be lodged against the informant if he failed to appear at the police station. He further submits that this call was made by the applicant in compliance with the instructions of the investigating officer and a corresponding entry was duly recorded in the relevant official register at the material time. Furthermore, there are no allegations suggesting that the applicant made any illegal demands or engaged in any unlawful

conduct. At the time of incident, the applicant was serving in his official capacity as a police constable attached to the Alibag Police Station.

2. The learned APP seeks time to take instructions and assures the Court that the applicant will not be arrested in the present crime till the next date provided he shall appear before the concerned Investigating Officer. Accordingly, the applicant is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 1st, 2nd and 3rd July 2025 between 11.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m., and cooperate with the investigation.

3. By consent, stand over to 21 July 2025.

(R.N. Laddha, J.)