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

## BAIL APPLICATION NO.3803 OF 2026

Santosh Satyawan Shinde .. Applicant

Versus

State Of Maharashtra .. Respondent

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- Mr. Aniket Vagal a/w Ms. Juhi Kadu a/w Ms. Kolhekar, Advocate for the Applicant.
- Ms. Sangeeta E. Phad, APP for Respondent-State.

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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : OCTOBER 12, 2026

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**1.** Heard Mr. Aniket Vagal, Advocate for the Applicant and Ms. Sangeeta Phad, learned APP for Respondent-State.

**2.** This is an Application under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking Bail in connection with Crime No.302 of 2022 registered with Chandannagar Police Station for offence punishable under Section 302 read with section 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short "IPC").

**3.** The Applicant has been in custody for more than four years and two months in connection with an offence punishable under Section 302 of the IPC. The prosecution case is based purely on circumstantial evidence. The trial has commenced and four prosecution witnesses have been examined till date. Considering the stage of the trial and the

period of incarceration undergone by the Applicant, I am inclined to grant bail to the Applicant.

**4.** In view of the above the following order is passed:-

**(i)** Applicant is directed to be immediately released on bail from prison in connection with Crime No. 302 of 2022;

**(ii)** Applicant is directed to be released on bail on furnishing P.R. Bond of Rs. 25,000/- (Rs. Twenty Five Thousand only) with one or two sureties in the like amount;

**(iii)** Applicant shall report to the Investigating Officer at concerned Police Station, once every month on the first Sunday of the month between 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.;

**(iv)** Applicant shall co-operate with the conduct of trial and attend the Trial Court on all dates, unless specifically exempted and will not take any unnecessary adjournments, if he does so it will entitle the prosecution to apply for revocation of this order;

**(v)** Applicant shall not leave the country without prior permission of the Trial Court;

**(vi)** Applicant shall not influence any of the witnesses or tamper with the evidence in any manner;

**(vii)** Applicant shall keep the Investigating Officer informed of his current address and mobile contact number and / or change of residence or mobile details, if any, from time to time, as applicable; and

**(viii)** Any infraction of the conditions shall entail cancellation of bail granted to the Applicant.

**5.** Needless to state that the above observations will not come in the way of trial as they are *prima facie* in nature based on the submissions made and the material placed before this Court.

**6.** Bail Application is allowed and disposed of in the above terms.

[ MILIND N. JADHAV, J. ]