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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

BAIL APPLICATION NO.3810 OF 2026

Ratneshkumar Ramakant Roy .. Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra .. Respondent

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- Ms. Abhilasha Pawar a/w Mr. Rutuj Deshmukh, Mr. Shivraj Dubele, and Mr. Sumit Patil, Advocates for Applicant.
- Mr. Sukanta Karmakar, APP for Respondent-State.

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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : OCTOBER 12, 2026

P.C.:

1. Heard Ms. Pawar, learned Advocate for Applicant and Mr. Karmakar, learned APP for Respondent-State.

2. This is an Application under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking bail in connection with C.R. No.38 of 2021 registered with Chinchwad Police Station for offences punishable under Sections 302, 120-B, 201 read with Section 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.

3. Applicant has been arrested on 18th July 2022 with regard to the incident in question which has occurred in the midnight of 11th and 12th February 2021. The Applicant is already incarcerated for the past more than 4 years in jail pending trial. Hence considering the long incarceration of the Applicant, I am inclined to consider the case of the

Applicant for bail since the case of the prosecution is based on circumstantial evidence in the present case qua the Applicant.

4. Hence, in view of above *prima facie* observations and findings, Bail Application of Applicant is allowed subject to the following terms and conditions:-

(i) Applicant is directed to be immediately released from prison in connection with CR. No.38 of 2021;

(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 Monday of the month between 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. until commencement of trial and thereafter shall attend all dates of hearing before the Trial Court;

(iv) Applicant shall cooperate with the conduct of the trial and remain present before the Trial Court on all dates, unless specifically exempted. Applicant shall not seek unnecessary adjournments. Any such conduct shall entitle the prosecution to apply for cancellation of bail;

(v) Applicant shall not leave the State of Maharashtra 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 residential address and mobile telephone number and shall forthwith inform the Investigating Officer of any change in his residential address or mobile telephone number, as and when such change occurs; and

(viii) Any breach or infraction of any of the aforesaid conditions shall entail cancellation of the bail granted to the Applicant.

5. It is clarified that the observations made in this order are limited for the purpose of granting bail only and I have not made any observations on merits of the case. The trial shall be adjudicated on the strength of the evidence led and strictly on its own merits being uninfluenced with any of the *prima facie* observations made hereinabove in this order.

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

[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]