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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1677 OF 2025**

Savita Vikas ShindeApplicant

Versus

The State of MaharashtraRespondent

Mr. Ashraf Ali Shaikh, Advocate for the Applicant.

Ms. Ranjana D. Humane, APP for Respondent-State.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 29th JANUARY, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No. 455 of 2024 registered with Wanwadi Police Station, District Pune, for the offences punishable under Sections 103(1), 118(1), 115(2), 126(2), 189(1), 189(2), 191(2), 190, 352, 49 and 54 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

2. It is prosecution's case that on 9th August 2024 around 1.30 pm, the applicant and co-accused assaulted the maternal uncle of the first informant with bricks and stones and murdered him on the ground that he refused to pay money for liquor.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that in the FIR, the name of the applicant was not mentioned. In supplementary statement, the role attributed to the applicant is that she instigated the

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co-accused to kill the deceased. The applicant is a lady. She is behind bars for more than one year and five months. The applicant has no antecedents and requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that the name of the applicant is mentioned in the supplementary statement and a specific role is attributed to her that she instigated the co-accused to kill the deceased. On her instigation, the co-accused killed the deceased. This shows her involvement in the crime. There is an eyewitness to the incident who has stated about the role played by the applicant in the incident. If the applicant is released on bail, she may threaten the prosecution witnesses and hence requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both parties, perused the charge-sheet and documents produced on record. The name of the applicant is not mentioned in the FIR. However, in the supplementary statement, her name is mentioned. The role attributed to the applicant is of instigating the co-accused to kill the deceased. The applicant is a lady. She is behind bars for more than one year and five months. The applicant has no antecedents. It may take time to conclude the trial. Considering these facts, I pass the following order.

ORDER

(i) The applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No. 455 of 2024

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registered with Wanwadi Police Station, District Pune, on executing P.R.Bond in the sum of Rs.30,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.

(ii) The applicant shall attend the concerned police station as and when required.

(iii) The applicant shall not tamper with the evidence or attempt to influence or contact the complainant, witnesses or any person concerned with the case.

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

6. 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.

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

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)