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

BAIL APPLICATION NO.2094 of 2025

Vaibhav Yadavrao Deore

... Applicant/s

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and anr.

... Respondent/s

Mr. Mihir N. Kasliwal i/b. Mr. Rahul J. Kasliwal, Advocate for the Applicant.

Ms. Ranjana D. Humane, APP for Respondent No.1-State.

Mr. M. K. Kocharekar, Advocate for Respondent No.2.

PSI-S.A. Patil, Gangapur Police Station, Nashik City, present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 16th JANUARY, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No. 256 of 2024 registered with Gangapur Police Station, for the offences punishable under Sections 61(2)(a), 108, 109(1), 308(2)(3), 351(3), 351(4), 352, 115(2) and 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

2. It is prosecution's case that the applicant is a moneylender who had advanced loan to the deceased. The deceased failed to repay the loan within the prescribed period, as a result of which the applicant allegedly subjected him to mental and physical harassment. It is further alleged that

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due to the continuous harassment by the applicant, the deceased committed suicide.

3. It is the contention of learned counsel for the applicant that the applicant is behind bars for more than one year and three months. There is no progress in the trial. Investigation is completed, charge sheet is filed, and it may take time to conclude the trial.

4. Learned APP along with learned counsel for respondent No.2 strongly objected to allowing the application on the ground that the applicant has 15 antecedents of the same nature. If the applicant is released on bail, he may threaten the prosecution witnesses as he is an influential person, and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard all learned counsel, perused the charge sheet, and the documents produced on record. The applicant is behind bars for more than one year and three months. There is no progress in the trial. It may take time to conclude the trial, hence, I pass following order:

ORDER

- (i) The applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No. 256 of 2024 registered with Gangapur Police Station, on executing P.R.Bond in the sum of Rs.30,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.

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- (ii) The applicant shall remain outside the limits of Nashik City till recording of evidence of the first informant
- (iii) The applicant shall attend the concerned police station as and when required.
- (iv) 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.)