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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO.2254 OF 2025**

Aahtesham Israr Ansari

.....Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

....Respondent

Mr. Aniket Nikam with Ms. Abhilasha Pawar, Mr. Sumit Patil and Mr. Amit Icham in Advocate for Applicant.

Mr. Prashant P. Jadhav, APP for Respondent No.1-State.

API-Nitinkumar Naik, ANC-2, Crime Branch Pune City, present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 6th FEBRUARY, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No. 1039 of 2024 registered with Kondhwa Police Station, District Pune, for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c) and 22(c) of the the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, Sections 3(25) of the Arms Act and Section 37(1) read with 135 of the Maharashtra Police Act.

2. It is prosecution's case that on 6th September 2024, on secret information, the police took search of the house of the applicant and in his house, police found 202 grams of Mephedrone. It is alleged that the applicant and co-accused-Sameer were selling Mephedrone to other persons and were receiving amounts in the bank accounts of the applicant.

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3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that the applicant is behind bars for more than one year and four months. The applicant has no antecedents and there is no recovery at his instance. The allegations against the applicant are that he would sell the Mephedrone to the customers and would receive the amount. Hence, requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that the bank account transactions show that the amount was credited in the bank account of the applicant. This shows involvement of the applicant in the present crime. If the applicant is released on bail, the applicant may abscond.

5. I have heard both learned counsel and perused charge-sheet and documents produced on record. The allegation against the applicant is that applicant has received money by selling Mephedrone. To prove it, evidence is required. The applicant has no antecedents and is behind bars for more than one year and four months. Considering these facts, I pass the following order.

ORDER

- (i) The applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No. 1039 of 2024 registered with Kondhwa 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.

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(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.)