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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
BAIL APPLICATION NO. 3280 OF 2025**

Kiran Devidas Shirsath

... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

... Respondent

Mr. Aniket Vagal a/w. Ms. Savvy Kolhekar and Ms. Juhi Kadu, Advocates for the Applicant.

Mr. B. B. Kulkarni, APP for the Respondent – State.

PSI – Shaikh N.S., Mumbai Naka Police Station, Nashik City, present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 8th APRIL, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the Applicant is seeking regular bail in C.R.No. 198 of 2021 registered with Mumbai Naka Police Station, Nashik, for the offences punishable under Sections 302, 120-B, 279, 337, 338, 304-A of Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short “IPC”) and Section 184, 134, 187 of Motor Vehicles Act (for short “M.V.Act”).

2. It is prosecution’s case that the applicant and co-accused murdered the brother of the first informant by giving dash with car and showed it as an accident and received compensation from the Insurance Company by preparing false and fabricated documents, showing that applicant and co-accused are the legal heirs of the deceased.

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3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that the co-accused having similar allegations, have been released on bail by this Court and Sessions Court. The applicant is behind bars for more than three years and three months. The applicant has no antecedents. It may take time to conclude the trial. Hence, requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that the applicant and co-accused brutally assaulted the deceased and murdered him. The car in crime was used from the applicant's showroom. The applicant signed on the insurance papers of the deceased. It shows involvement of the applicant in the crime. If the applicant is released on bail, he may abscond or threaten prosecution witnesses. Hence, requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both the learned counsel. Perused chargesheet and documents produced on record. The applicant is behind bars for three years and three months. The co-accused having similar allegations have been released on bail. The applicant has no antecedents. Considering these facts, I pass following order.

ORDER

- i. The applicant be enlarged on bail in C.R.No. 198 of 2021 registered with Mumbai Naka Police Station, Nashik, on executing P.R.Bond of Rs. 30,000/- on

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furnishing 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.

6. The application is allowed in the aforesaid terms and is accordingly disposed of. All pending applications, if any, disposed of.

7. 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.

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

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)