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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

VASANT
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CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO.3596 OF 2025

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Sameer Rajesh Basopiya

...Applicant

V/s.

State of Maharashtra

...Respondent

Mr.Tabis Salim Shaikh i/b Adv.Sherali S. Khan for the
Applicant.

Mrs.Veera Shinde, APP for the State – Respondent.

Mt.Amit Ghogare, PSI, Worli Police Station present in Court.

CORAM : R.M. JOSHI, J.
DATE : 9TH MARCH, 2026.

P.C. :-

1. This Application is for enlargement on bail of the
Applicant in Crime No.100 of 2023 registered with ANC Worli
Police Unit, Bombay for the offences punishable under Sections
8(c), 22 (c) and 29 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic
Substances Act, 1985 (NDPS Act).

2. There is no dispute about the fact that on 23rd October,

2024 in the incident in question, the contrabands were seized from two accused persons. From the co-accused, there is recovery of 80 gms., whereas from the present Applicant, 70 gms. of contraband was seized.

3. Learned counsel for the Applicant submits that from 10th December, 2022, the Applicant is in jail. He seeks bail on parity as the co-accused from whom 80 gms. of contraband was recovered is enlarged on bail by this Court by order dated 1st October, 2025 passed in Bail Application No.64 of 2025.

4. Learned APP opposed the application, by contending that there are antecedents against the Applicant and one crime is registered being Crime No.293 of 2018 for the offence punishable under Sections 324 of IPC.

5. There is no dispute about the fact that in the said incident, the contraband was seized from the co-accused No.1 and 2. From accused No.1 80 grms of contraband was seized whereas 70 grms. of contraband is seized from the the present Applicant. This Court by an order dated 1st October, 2025 has granted bail to the Applicant No.1. Insofar as the antecedent is

concerned, the same is in respect of the offence under Section 324 of IPC and not similar offence, as alleged herein. The Applicant is in jail since 10th December, 2023. The trial is not likely to be concluded in short period of time. Apart from this, on parity also the Applicant is entitled for the bail. Hence the following order :

ORDER:

- a). The Applicant be enlarged on bail on executing PR bond in the sum of Rs.50,000/- with one or two local sureties in the like manner.
- b). The Applicant shall attend the Trial Court concerned on each and every date unless exempted by the orders of the Trial Court concerned.
- c). The Applicant also attend the concerned Police Station once a month on the first Saturday of every month between 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. till the charges are framed.
- d). If the Applicant has not deposited his passport, the Applicant shall deposit the same with the concerned Police Station.

e). The Applicant shall not leave India, without the permission of the Trial Court.

f). The Applicant shall not tamper or attempt to influence or contact the complainant, witnesses or any person concerned with the case.

g). The Applicant shall inform his latest place of residence and mobile number immediately after being released and / or change of residence or mobile details, if any, from time to time to the Court seised of the matter and to the Investigating Officer of the concerned Police Station.

h). The Applicant to co-operate with the conduct of the trial.

i). Any infraction of the aforesaid conditions shall entail cancellation of bail.

6. The Application is allowed in above terms and is accordingly disposed of.

7. It is made clear that the observations made herein are *prima-facie* and are confined to this Application and the learned Trial Judge to decide the case on its own merits, uninfluenced

by the observations made herein.

(R.M. JOSHI, J.)