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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
BAIL APPLICATION NO. 3893 OF 2025**

Ankit @ Vishal Ramesh Gholap

...Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

...Respondent

Mr. Aniket Nikam along with Mr. Dushyant Digamber i/b. Mr. Sumit Patil,
Advocate for the Applicant.

Mr. B.B. Kulkarni, APP for Respondent-State.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 23rd JANUARY, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No. 157 of 2025 registered with Pimpalgaon Police Station, District Nashik, for the offences punishable under Sections 109, 118(1), 118(2), 115(2), 351(2) and 352 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

2. It is prosecution's case that on 7th June 2025, around 8:15 pm, the applicant assaulted the first informant, who was his employer, with an iron rod on his head with the intention to kill him.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that the applicant is behind bars for more than seven months. There is no progress in the trial. The applicant is 20 years old. It may take time to conclude the trial, and requested to allow the application.

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4. It is contention of learned APP that the applicant was working at the first informant's petrol pump. When the first informant asked him not to come to duty by consuming liquor, the applicant got angry and assaulted the first informant with an iron rod on his head with the intention to kill him. Learned APP submitted that the entire incident is captured on CCTV footage, and the injuries suffered by the first informant are grievous in nature. If the applicant is released on bail, he may threaten the prosecution witnesses and first informant and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both learned counsel, perused the charge sheet, and documents produced on record. The applicant is behind bars for more than seven months. The investigation is completed, and charge sheet has been filed. There is no progress in the trial. The applicant is 20 years old and has no antecedents. It may take time to conclude the trial. Considering these facts, I pass following order.

ORDER

- (i) The applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No. 157 of 2025 registered with Pimpalgaon Police Station, District Nashik, 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.)