

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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 4076 OF 2025

Vaibhav Yashwant Lahamge ...Applicant

VERSUS

The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent

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Mr. Kuldeep U. Nikam (through VC) a/w Adv. Om N. Latpate &
Adv. S. H. Ghumane, Advocate for the Applicant.

Ms. Supriya Kak, A.P.P. for the Respondent – State.

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CORAM : N. R. BORKAR, J.
DATE : 06.02.2026.

P.C.:

1. This is an application for regular bail.
2. The applicant came to be arrested in Crime No. 1169 of 2024 registered at Wadiware Police Station, District-Nashik, for the offences punishable under Sections 302 read with 34 of the Indian Penal Code and Sections 3/25 and 4/25 of the Arms Act.
3. It is the case of the prosecution that on the date of incident, which took place on 10.05.2024, on account of previous enmity, the present applicant and

other co-accused assaulted the deceased by koyta and chopper and committed his murder.

4. I have heard the learned counsel for the applicant and the learned APP for the respondent/State.

5. The learned counsel for the applicant submits that there is no evidence to connect the applicant with the crime in question. It is submitted that the applicant is in jail for one year and nine months and the trial has not commenced.

6. On the other hand, the learned APP for the Respondent/State submits that the applicant is involved in a serious crime of murder. It is submitted that there are eye-witnesses to the incident. The learned APP submits that there is a recovery of incriminating articles at the instance of the present applicant. It is submitted that considering the nature of crime, the applicant may not be released on regular bail.

7. I have perused the charge-sheet and more particularly statements of the eye-witnesses. It appears that the present applicant was not known to the said eye witnesses. Still no test identification parade is conducted.

In that view of the matter, I am inclined to release the applicant on bail. In the result, the following order is passed:

ORDER

A] The Application is allowed.

B] The applicant be released on bail in Crime No. 1169 of 2024 registered at Wadiware Police Station, District Nashik, for the offences punishable under Sections 302 read with 34 of the Indian Penal Code and Sections 3/25 and 4/25 of the Arms Act, the applicant be released on bail on furnishing P.R Bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) with one or two sureties in the like amount.

C] The applicant shall attend the concerned police station once in a month, i.e., on first Saturday between 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, till conclusion of the trial.

8. Application stands disposed of accordingly.

(N. R. BORKAR, J.)