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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

BAIL APPLICATION NO. 4237 OF 2025

Dhaval Santosh Bhalerao	...Applicant
<i>Versus</i>	
State of Maharashtra	...Respondents

Mr. Merchant Rizwan, with Sagar Shete, Sultan Khan, Adnan S.,
for the Applicant.
Ms. Veera Shinde, APP for the Respondent-State.
Mr. Avinash Babrekar, GPSI attached to Cyber Police Station,
Thane City, present.

CORAM: R. M. JOSHI, J.
DATED: 16th MARCH, 2026.

PC:-

1. The Investigating Officer is absent. Only for this reason, the learned APP is unable to work out the matter. She makes a statement that Investigating Officer would remain present along with all the papers on the next date of hearing.
2. Learned counsel for the Applicant submits that charge-sheet has already been filed in this matter.

3. In order to enable prosecution to oppose the Application by giving reasonable opportunity, time is granted. It is however, clarified that in case, the Investigating Officer remains absent on the next date of hearing, the Bail Application would be heard on merits. Absence of the Investigating Officer on the next date of hearing shall lead to an initiation of appropriate action against him.

4. Stand over to **23rd March 2026.**

(R. M. JOSHI, J.)

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