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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 4351 OF 2025

Tejas Chandrakant Dongre

... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

... Respondent

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Mr.Niranjan Bhavake a/w Mr.Shushant Tayade, Ms.Drishti Madhani, Mr.Anurag Ramekar and Ms.Vaishnavi Chore i/b Mr.Sushant J. Tayade, for the Applicant.

Ms.R.D. Humane, APP for Respondent-State.

Mr.Shivkumar D., PSI, Bhosri Police Station.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 23rd FEBRUARY 2026

P.C. :

. By this Application, the Applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No.318 of 2024 registered with Bhosari Police Station, Pune, for the offences punishable under Sections 307, 323, 504, 506, 143, 147, 148 and 149 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 ('IPC' for short), Sections 4(25) of the Arms Act, Section 37(1) read with Section 135 of the Maharashtra Police Act, Section 3 and 7 of Criminal Law Amendment Act and Sections 3(1)(i)(ii) and 3(4) of the The

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Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act, 1999 ('MCOCA Act' for short).

2. It is prosecution's case that on 16th May 2024, around 5.30 p.m, the Applicant and co-accused assaulted the First Informant and his friend with a sickle with intention to kill them.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the Applicant that the Applicant has only one antecedent, hence, provisions of MCOCA Act would not applicable against him. The allegations against the Applicant are that he caught hold the First Informant and other co-accused assaulted him with sickle with an intention to kill him. The Applicant is behind bars for more than one year and six months, and requested to allow the Application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that, the Applicant had active role in the present crime as he caught hold the First Informant whereas the co-accused assaulted him with sickle with an intention to kill him. The injured sustained injuries on his head i.e. vital part of the body. If the Applicant released on bail, he may abscond or threaten First Informant and prosecution witnesses, and requested to reject the Application.

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5. I have heard both learned counsel. Perused charge-sheet and documents produced on record.
6. The Applicant is behind bars for more than one year and six months. There is no progress in trial. The allegations against the Applicant are that he caught hold the injured whereas the co-accused assaulted him with sickle. The Applicant has one antecedents.
7. Considering these facts, I pass following order.

ORDER

- (i) The Applicant-Tejas Chandrakant Dongre be released on bail in Crime No.318 of 2024 registered with Bhosari Police Station, Pune, on furnishing PR bond of Rs.25,000/- with one or two solvent sureties in the like amount.
- (ii) The Applicant shall not tamper with the evidence and/or influence the prosecution witnesses.
- (iii) The Trial Court shall decide the case on its own merits and in accordance with law, uninfluenced by the observations made in this order.
- (iv) The Applicant shall attend the concerned Police Station as and when required.
- (v) Application is allowed in the aforesaid terms.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)