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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 4483 OF 2025

Rahul Rajendra Salunkhe

... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

... Respondent

Mr. Tejas Hilange, Advocate for the Applicant.

Smt. Ranjana D. Humane, APP for the Respondent-State.

Mr. Sanjay Sarraf a/w. Ms. Ruhi Ansari and Ms. Chaitali Shetty, Advocates for the Victim (Intervenor).

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 28th JANUARY, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the Applicant is seeking regular bail in C.R.No. 171 of 2025 registered with Nigadi Police Station, Pune, for the offences punishable under Sections 109, 111, 189(1)(2), 191(1), 190 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (for short “BNS Act”) and Sections 37(1) (3) r/w 135 of Maharashtra Police Act.

2. It is prosecution’s case that on 01.06.2025, around 10:45 p.m., the applicant and co-accused assaulted the first informant with sharp weapon, iron pipe, gas pipe and paving block with intention to kill him.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that entire incident is captured in CCTV camera. The CCTV panchanama does not

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show presence of the applicant. The applicant is behind bars for more than seven months. There is no progress in the trial and requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP along with learned counsel for first informant that the cloths worn by the applicant at the time of incident has been recovered with blood stains. The injured in his statement before the police has stated that the applicant was present at the time of incident. If the applicant released on bail, he may abscond or threaten first informant and prosecution witnesses. The applicant has one antecedents, and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard all the learned counsel. Perused chargesheet and documents produced on record. The entire incident is captured in CCTV footage. The man may lie, but the machine does not. The applicant was not seen in CCTV footage. The applicant is behind bars for more than seven months. There is no progress in the trial. Considering these facts, I pass following order.

ORDER

- i. The applicant be enlarged on bail in C.R.No. 171 of 2025 registered with Nigadi Police Station, Pune, on executing P.R.Bond of Rs. 30,000/- on furnishing 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.

6. The application is allowed in the aforesaid terms and is accordingly disposed of. All pending applications, if any, disposed of.

7. 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.

8. All concerned to act on the authenticated copy of this order.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)