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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 4707 OF 2025**

Tejas Dashrath Chavan

....Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

....Respondent

Mr. Vipul V. Dushing, Mr. Ashraf Kazi, Mr. Ajay Gawali, Mr. Atul Gonate and Mr. Ashish Saxena, Advocate for Applicant.

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

PSI-Gangadhar S. Dhage, Sangvi Police Station, District Pune, present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 25th FEBRUARY, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No. 209 of 2025 registered with Sangvi Police Station, District Pune, for the offences punishable under Sections, 103, 109, 126(2), 352, 351(2), 115(2) and 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

2. It is prosecution's case that on 19th June 2025, the applicant and co-accused murdered the husband of the first informant by hitting him with a stone.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that at the time of the incident, the applicant was 18 years old. There are no allegations against him of assaulting the deceased, he was driving the car

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in which accused No. 1 was travelling. The applicant has no antecedents. The main allegations are against accused No. 1 and requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that the applicant and accused intercepted the auto-rickshaw in which the deceased was going. There is an eyewitness to the incident. He has stated that the applicant and co-accused assaulted the deceased and thereafter accused No. 1 hit a stone on the head of the deceased. It shows the involvement of the applicant in the crime. If the applicant is released on bail, he will threaten the prosecution witnesses, and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both learned counsel, perused charge-sheet and documents produced on record. The applicant is 18 years old. He has no antecedents. The main allegation of hitting the deceased with a stone is against accused No. 1. To prove the involvement of the applicant in the crime, evidence is required. Considering these facts, I pass the following order:

ORDER

- (i) The applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No. 209 of 2025 registered with Sangvi Police Station, District Pune, 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.)