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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 4866 OF 2025

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Sunny Karan Chaudhary

...Applicant

VERSUS

The State Of Maharashtra and Anr.

...Respondents

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Mr. Nitin Satpute a/w. Mr. Abhishek Banedekar a/w. Rachit Singh,
Advocate for Applicant.

Mr. P.P. Jadhav, APP for Respondent-State.

Ms. Esha Joshi, Advocate for Respondent No.2.

API R. J. Kumbhar, Ravet Police Station present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 27th APRIL, 2026.

P.C. :

1. Heard learned counsel for the Applicant, learned APP and learned counsel for Respondent No.2.
2. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No. 370 of 2025 registered with Rawet Police Station, Pune for the offence punishable under Sections 69, 89, 351(2) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNS').
3. It is prosecution's case that applicant sexually assaulted the first informant on the promise of marriage. He impregnated her and terminated her pregnancy by threatening her.
4. It is contention of learned counsel for the Applicant that at the

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time of incident, first informant was 22 years' old. The physical relations between them were consensual. He is behind bars for more than 9 months. Applicant has no antecedents. It may take time to conclude the trial and requested to allow the application.

5. It is contention of learned APP along with learned counsel for Respondent No.2 that applicant sexually assaulted the first informant on the promise of marriage. The said promise was not willingly given. The said consent is not free consent. Learned counsel further submitted that applicant terminated the pregnancy of the first informant by threatening her. If he is released on bail, he may threaten the first informant and prosecution witnesses.

6. I have heard all learned counsel. Perused charge-sheet and documents produced on record.

7. Admittedly, the physical relations between applicant and first informant were consensual. To prove the allegations against the applicant, trial is required. Applicant is behind bars for more than nine months. Investigation is completed and charge-sheet has been filed. He has no antecedents.

8. Considering these facts, I pass following order:

ORDER

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- (i) The Applicants- Sunny Karan Chaudhary be released on bail in Crime No. 370 of 2025 registered with Rawet 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 contact the first informant.
- (iii) The Applicants shall not tamper with the evidence and/or influence the prosecution witnesses.
- (iv) The Trial Court shall decide the case on its own merits and in accordance with law, uninfluenced by the observations made in this order.
- (v) The Applicants shall attend the concerned Police Station as and when required.
- (vi) Application is allowed in the aforesaid terms.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)