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

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 24 OF 2026

Rahul Singh Nirmal Singh Karnawat ... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra ... Respondent

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Mr. Shyamsunder Solanke a/w Mr. Uday Gaikwad, for the Applicant.
Ms. Gauri Rao, APP for Respondent-State.
Mr. P.A. Katkade, PSI, Cyber Police Station, Pimpri Chinchwad.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 2nd APRIL 2026

P.C. :

1. Heard learned counsel for the applicant and learned APP for the State.
2. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the Trial Court had granted bail to the applicant but has directed the applicant to deposit a sum of Rs. 20,00,000/- as a condition for release from jail. He further submits that as per the view of the Apex Court in the case of **Ramesh Jain Vs. State¹**, such condition cannot be imposed and requested to allow the application.

¹ In Criminal Appeal No(2). 387 /2026@ SLP (Cri) No. 11336/2025 dtd. 21/01/2026.

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3. Learned APP submits that appropriate order be passed.
4. I have heard both learned counsel, perused the impugned order. The learned Trial Court has granted bail to the applicant but has directed the applicant to deposit Rs. 20,00,000/- as a condition for release from jail. As per the view of the Hon'ble Apex Court in case of **Ramesh Jain (supra.)**, such a condition cannot be imposed. The Trial Court should have decided the bail application of the applicant on merit.
5. Considering these facts, I pass following order:

ORDER

- (i) The application is partly allowed.
- (ii) The bail order passed by learned Trial Court dated 19th December 2025 is quashed and set aside.
- (iii) The bail application of applicant is remanded back to the Trial Court for fresh hearing.
- (iv) The Trial Court shall decide the bail application on its own merits without imposing condition of depositing amount.
- (v) The Trial Court shall decide the bail application expeditiously.
- (vi) The Criminal Application stands disposed of in the above terms.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)