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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
BAIL APPLICATION NO. 111 OF 2026**

Jagan @ Akash Ramdas DaundkarApplicant

versus

The State of MaharashtraRespondent

Mr. Satyavrat Joshi i/b. Mr. Samay Pawar, Advocate for the Applicant.

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

API-Madhumati Shinde, Pimpri Police Station, present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 3rd FEBRUARY, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No.1058 of 2022, registered with Pimpri Police Station, Pune for the offences punishable under Sections 302, 143, 147, 148, 149, 120B, 114, 115, 212, 201 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, Sections 3, 4, 25, 27 of the Arms Act, Section 37 read with Section 135 of the Maharashtra Police Act, Sections 3 and 7 of Criminal Law Amendment Act and Section s3(1)(i)(ii), 3(2), 3(3) and 3(4) of the Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act, 1999.

2. It is prosecution's case that on 2nd December 2022, the applicant and co-accused assaulted the deceased with sickle and murdered him. It is alleged that co-accused Vishal Lashkare fired at the deceased from a pistol.

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3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that name of the applicant was not mentioned in the FIR. In supplementary statement, the role alleged to the applicant is that he along with co-accused assaulted the deceased with sword and sickle. Learned counsel further submitted that co-accused John Paul, Raju Kamble, Siddharth Kamble, Milind Kamble, Mohan Mithare are released on bail. Hence, the applicant is entitled to bail on principle of parity and requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP along with learned counsel for respondent No.2 that the role attributed to the co-accused who have been released on bail and the applicant is different. There are allegations against the applicant that he assaulted the deceased with sword and sickle. If the applicant is released on bail, he may abscond or threaten prosecution witnesses. Hence, requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both learned counsel, perused the charge-sheet and documents produced on record. In the FIR, there are specific allegations against the co-accused and name of the applicant is not mentioned in FIR. In supplementary statement, the role attributed to the applicant is that he along with co-accused assaulted the deceased with sword and sickle. The applicant is behind bars for more than two years. There is no progress in the trial. The co-accused John and other co-

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accused, against whom similar allegations are made, have been released on bail. Hence, the applicant is entitled to bail on principle of parity and I pass following order.

ORDER

- (i) The applicant be released on bail in Crime No.1058 of 2022, registered with Pimpri 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 enter in jurisdiction of the Pimpri Police Station till framing of the charge except attending Court dates.
 - (iii) The applicant shall attend the concerned police station as and when required.
 - (iv) 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.)