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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 267 OF 2026

Amit Vishwas Madane

....Applicant

versus

The State of Maharashtra and anr.

....Respondents

Mr. Ranjeet M. Pawar, Advocate for Applicant.

Ms. Ranjana D. Humane, APP for Respondent No.1-State.

Ms. Neha R. Kokare, Advocate for Respondent No.2.

Mr. Sadik Bhai Inamdar, Vadgaon Nimbalkar Police Station, District Pune, present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 12th MARCH, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No. 261 of 2025 registered with Vadgaon Nimbalkar Police Station, District Pune, for the offences punishable under Sections 452, 376, 376(2) (n), 494, 496 and 506 read with 34 of the Indian Penal Code 1860.

2. It is prosecution's case that the applicant sexually assaulted the first informant during the period between 2018 and 2025, by stating that he was unmarried, whereas he was married and had two children.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that there was a love affair between the applicant and the first informant, who was a major. The physical relations between them were consensual. The first

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informant married the applicant and stayed with him. The applicant is behind bars for more than four months, there is no progress in the trial. Hence, requested to allow the application.

3. It is contention of learned APP along with learned counsel for respondent No. 2 that the applicant has four antecedents. He falsely stated to the first informant that he was unmarried and sexually assaulted her. He also used to blackmail and threaten the first informant. If the applicant is released on bail, he may abscond or threaten the prosecution witnesses. Hence, requested to reject the application.

4. I have heard all the learned counsel, perused charge sheet and documents produced on record. The relations between the applicant and the first informant were for more than seven years. Whether the applicant made a false statement to the first informant or not, is a matter of trial. The applicant is behind bars for more than four months. The victim is a major. It may take time to conclude the trial. Considering these facts, I pass the following order:

ORDER

- (i) The applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No. 261 of 2025 registered with Vadgaon Nimbalkar 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.)