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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 275 OF 2026

Hasim Faijuddin Shaikh

... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

... Respondent

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Mr.Sachin Deokar, for the Applicant.
Mr.M.G. Patil, APP for Respondent-State.
Mr.Lalit More, PSI, Wakad Police Station.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 12th FEBRUARY 2026

P.C.:

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in C.R.No. 651 of 2023 registered with Wakad Police Station, Pune for the offences punishable under Sections 307, 353, 395, 398, 458, 511 of Indian Penal Code, 1860, Sections 4(25) of the Arms Act and Section 37(1)(3) read with 135 of the Maharashtra Police Act.

2. It is prosecution's case that on 08.07.2023, some unknown persons tried to rob the bank by breaking open the door of the said bank. When first informant and police personnel tried to prevent them, he

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assaulted them with sharp weapon with an intention to kill them and thereafter ran away. It is alleged that applicant was one of those eight persons, who tried to rob the bank.

3 It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that the applicant is behind bars for more than 2 ½ years. There is no progress in the trial. The co-accused, against who similar allegations are made, has been released on bail by this Court. Hence, the applicant is entitled to bail on the principle of parity and requested to allow the applications.

4. It is contention of learned APP that the applicant has two antecedents. They attempted to rob the bank. When police personnel prevented them, the applicant and co-accused tried to assault the police personnel with an intention to kill them. If applicant is released on bail, he may abscond and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard all learned counsel. Perused charge-sheet and documents produced on record. The applicant is behind bars for more than 2 ½ years. There is no progress in the trial. The co-accused, against who similar allegations are made, has been released on bail by this Court. Hence, the applicant is entitled for bail on the principle of parity and I pass following order:

ORDER

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(i) The applicant-Hasim Faijuddin Shaikh is released on bail in C.R.No. 651 of 2023 registered with Wakad Police Station, Pune, on executing P.R.Bond of Rs.30,000/- each, on furnishing one or two sureties in the like amount.

(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 are 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.)