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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 562 OF 2026

Sachin Arun Shinde ... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra ... Respondent

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Mr.S.M. Mangaonkar, APP for Respondent-State.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 13th MARCH 2026

P.C. :

1. By this Application, the Applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No.458 of 2023 registered with Panvel Police Station, Navi Mumbai, for the offences punishable under Sections 302 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 ('IPC' for short).

2. It is prosecution's case that on 8th August 2023, the Applicant murdered deceased by assaulting him with sharp weapon on right side of his neck due to quarrel between them.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the Applicant that the Applicant is behind bars for more than two years and seven months.

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The incident occurred suddenly. At the time of the incident, the Applicant and deceased both were under influence of liquor. The Applicant has no antecedents. It may take time to conclude the trial, and requested to allow the Application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that, the Applicant assaulted the deceased with sharp weapon on his neck with an intention to kill him. The incident was witnessed by eye witnesses. There is recovery at the instance of the Applicant. If the Applicant released on bail, he may abscond or threaten prosecution witnesses, and requested to reject the Application.

5. I have heard both learned counsel. Perused charge-sheet and documents produced on record.

6. It appears from record that, at the time of the incident, the Applicant and deceased both were under influence of liquor. The incident happened suddenly. To prove the intention of the Applicant to kill the deceased, evidence is required. The Applicant is behind bars for more than two years and seven months. It may take time to conclude the trial.

7. Considering these facts, I pass following order.

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ORDER

- (i) The Applicant be released on bail in Crime No.458 of 2023 registered with Panvel Police Station, Navi Mumbai, on furnishing PR bond of Rs.25,000/- with one or two solvent sureties in the like amount.
- (ii) The Applicant shall not tamper with the evidence and/or influence the prosecution witnesses.
- (iii) The Trial Court shall decide the case on its own merits and in accordance with law, uninfluenced by the observations made in this order.
- (iv) The Applicant shall attend the concerned Police Station as and when required.
- (v) Application is allowed in the aforesaid terms.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)