

N.S.Kamble

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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 620 OF 2026

Somdatta Manmohan Dube

... Applicant

Versus

State Of Maharashtra

... Respondent

**NILAM
SANTOSH
KAMBLE**
Digitally signed
by NILAM
SANTOSH
KAMBLE
Date: 2026.03.24
11:24:08 +0530

Mr.Vivek Arote a/w Mr.Akshay Dingale, for the Applicant.
Ms.Gauri Rao, APP for Respondent-State.
Mr.Naganath Jawale, PSI, Sangvi Police Station, Pimpari Chinchwad.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 18th MARCH 2026

P.C. :

1. By this Application, the Applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No.421 of 2024 registered with Sangavi Police Station, Pune, for the offences punishable under Sections 103(1), 238 read with Section 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 ('BNS' for short).

2. It is prosecution's case that on 8th October 2024, the Applicant and co-accused murdered their friend on the ground of quarrel between them.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the Applicant that the Applicant has no antecedents. The incident occurred suddenly. He had no intention to kill the deceased. The Applicant is behind bars for more than

N.S.Kamble

one year and five months. It may take time to conclude the trial, and requested to allow the Application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that, the Applicant and co-accused brutally murdered the deceased. They had intention to kill the deceased. The blood stains found on the clothes, which is recovered at the instance of the Applicant. If the Applicant released on bail, he may abscond or threaten and 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 incident occurred out of the sudden quarrel. To prove the intention of the Applicant in the present crime evidence is required. The Applicant is behind bars for more than one year and five months. The Applicant has no antecedents. There is no progress in trial. It may take time to conclude the trial.

7. Considering these facts, I pass following order.

ORDER

(i) The Applicant be released on bail in Crime No.421 of 2024 registered with Sangavi Police Station, Pune, on furnishing PR bond of Rs.25,000/-with one or two solvent sureties in the like amount.

N.S.Kamble

- (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.)