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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 671 OF 2026

Sadashiv Paraji Gaikwad

...APPLICANT

VERSUS

The State Of Maharashtra

...RESPONDENT

Mr. Aniket Vagal a/w Ms. Savvy Kolhekar a/w Ms. Juhi Kadu, Advocate for Applicants.

Mr. B. B. Kulkarni, APP for Respondent-State.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 8th MAY, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No. 412 of 2024 registered with Indira Nagar Police Station, for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c) and 22(c) and 29 of The Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

2. It is prosecution's case on 06th December 2024, on receiving secrete information, police apprehended three co-accused and in their possession police found 61.5 gm of Mephedrone. It is alleged that, the said Mephedrone has provided by the applicant by taking from accused no. 4.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant nothing is found in possession of the applicant. Applicant is behind bars for more than 1 years and 6 months. There is no progress in the trial and requested to allow the application.

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4. It is contention of learned APP that applicant has antecedents. There were call records between the applicant and co-accused and bank transactions also between them. It shows involvement of the applicant in the crime. He was deported from Nashik City on 14th November, 2024 for two years, but during that period, he breached the externment condition. 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 the charge-sheet, and documents produced on record.

6. The Applicant has been arrested on the say of co-accused. To prove the role of the applicant in crime, evidence is required. The Applicant is behind bars for more one year and six month. It may take time to conclude the trial.

7. Considering these facts, I pass following order.

ORDER

- (i) The applicant be enlarged on bail in in Crime No. 412 of 2024 registered with Indira Nagar Police Station, on executing P.R.Bond in the sum of Rs.30,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.
- (ii) The applicant shall attend the concerned police station as and when required.

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(iii) The applicant shall not tamper with the evidence or attempt to influence or contact the complaint, witnesses or any person concerned with the case.

(iv) The applicant shall not enter in Nashik District till framing of charges.

The application is allowed in the aforesaid terms and is accordingly disposed of.

8. 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.

9. All concerned to act on the authenticated copy of this order.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)