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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 783 OF 2026

Arjun Padam Thapa

... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

... Respondent

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Mr.Harsh Kashyap, for the Applicant. (Through V.C.)
Ms.Gauri Rao, APP for Respondent-State.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 10th MARCH 2026

P.C. :

1. By this Application, the Applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No.150 of 2024 registered with Faraskhana Police Station, Pune, for the offences punishable under Sections 109 and 352 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 ('BNS' for short).

2. It is prosecution's case that on 22nd July 2024, the Applicant assaulted the First Informant with sharp weapon with an intention to kill him, on the ground that First Informant refused to give money to the Applicant for drinking liquor.

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3. It is contention of learned counsel for the Applicant that the Applicant is behind bars for more than one year and seven months. There is no progress in trial, and requested to allow the Application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that, the Applicant assaulted the First Informant with sharp weapon on his neck and vital part of the body. The injury certificate shows that First Informant has suffered grievous injuries. If the Applicant released on bail, he may abscond or threaten First Informant 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. The Applicant is behind bars for more than one year and seven months. There is no progress in trial. It may take time to conclude the trial. The investigation is completed.

7. Considering these facts, I pass following order.

ORDER

(i) The Applicant be released on bail in Crime No.150 of 2024 registered with Faraskhana Police Station, Pune, on furnishing PR bond of Rs.25,000/- with one or two solvent sureties in the like amount.

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- (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.)