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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1040 OF 2026

Sunil Raghunath Sonar

... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

... Respondent

Mr. Mihir Kasliwal i/b Mr. Rahul Kasliwal, Advocate for the Applicant.

Mr. S. R. Agarkar, APP for the Respondent-State.

PSI, Mr. Ingle, PSI, Mr. S. L. Temgar, MIDC, Sinnar Police Station.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 2nd APRIL, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, appellant is seeking regular bail in Crime No.269 of 2025 registered with Sinnar MIDC Police Station, Tq. Sinnar, Dist. Nashik for offences punishable under Sections 334(1), 305, 324(4), 310(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (Hereinafter referred to as 'the BNS' for short).

2. It is prosecution's case that on 11th September, 2025 copper wire were stolen from the godown of the first informant company.

3. It is contention on learned counsel for the applicant, there is no recovery at the instance of the applicant. The applicant has no antecedents. He is behind bar for more than five months, it may take time to conclude the trial, hence, requested to allow the application.

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4. It is contention of learned APP that the entire incident is captured in CCTV footage and on the basis of CCTV footage, applicant has been arrested. If he is released on bail, he may abscond or threaten the prosecution witnesses and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both learned counsel. Perused charge-sheet and documents produced on record. There is no recovery at the instance of the applicant. The applicant is behind bars for more than 5 months. It may take time to conclude the trial. Hence, I pass order.

ORDER

- (i) The applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No.269 of 2025 registered with Sinnar MIDC Police Station, Tq. Sinnar, Dist. Nashik on executing P.R.Bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.
- (ii) The appellant shall attend the concerned police station as and when required.
- (iii) The appellant shall not attempt to influence or contact the witnesses or any person concerned with the case.

The Application is allowed in the aforesaid terms and is accordingly disposed off.

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

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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.)