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IN THE JUDICATURE OF HIGH COURT AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1069 OF 2026

Sahil Suresh Mhaske

...Applicant

versus

The State Of Maharashtra

...Respondent

Mr. Pratik Kalantri, Advocate for Applicant.

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

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 6th APRIL, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No. 371 of 2024 registered with Upnagar Police Station, District Nashik, for the offences punishable under Sections 109(1), 115(1), 352, 351(1), 311, 324(1), 324(2), 333, 308(2), 189(2), 190, 191(2) and 191(3) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 read with Sections 4 and 25 of the Indian Arms Act.

2. It is prosecution's case that on 21st October 2024, the applicant and co-accused entered in the shop of the first informant, assaulted him with a sharp weapon with the intention to kill him, and damaged articles kept in the shop.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that the applicant his behind bars for around 16 months. There is no progress in the

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trial. The injuries sustained by the first informant are simple in nature. It may take time to conclude the trial, hence, requested to allow the application.

4. It is contention of learned APP that the applicant has six antecedents. He and the co-accused assaulted the first informant with the intention to kill him. If the applicant is released on bail, he may abscond or threaten the prosecution witnesses and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both counsel, perused charge-sheet and documents produced on record. The injuries sustained by the first informant are simple in nature. The applicant is behind bars for around 16 months, and there is no progress in the trial. Considering these facts, I pass following order:

ORDER

- (i) The applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No. 371 of 2024 registered with Upnagar Police Station, District Nashik, 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.
- (iii) The applicant shall not enter Nashik City till recording of evidence of the first informant.

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

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

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 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.)