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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1731 OF 2026

Channappa Parshuram Sutar

....Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

....Respondent

Mr. Aniket Vagal along with Ms. Savvy Kolhekar and Ms. Juhi Kadu,
Advocate for Applicant.

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

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 5th MAY, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the applicant is seeking regular bail in Crime No. 634 of 2023 registered with MIDC Bhosari Police Station, District Pune, for the offences punishable under Sections 307, 324, 504 and 34 of the Indian Penal Code 1860, Section 4(25) and (27) of the Arms Act, Sections 3 and 7 of Criminal Amendment Act and Section 37(1) (3) read with 135 of the Maharashtra Police Act.

2. It is prosecution's case that on 8th December 2023, the applicant and co-accused assaulted the first informant with a sickle with the intention to kill him on the ground of an old dispute.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the applicant that the applicant is behind bars for more than two years and four months. There is

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no progress in the trial. The co-accused, against whom similar allegations are made, has been released on bail.

4. It is contention of learned APP that the main allegations are against the applicant. The applicant assaulted the first informant with the intention to kill him. The sickle used in the crime was recovered at the instance of the applicant. If the applicant is released on bail, he may threaten the prosecution witnesses and requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard all learned counsel, perused charge-sheet and documents produced on record. The applicant is behind bars for more than two years and four months. The co-accused, against whom similar allegations, are made has been released on bail. It may take time to conclude the trial. Considering these facts, I pass following order:

ORDER

- (i) The applicant be enlarged on bail in Crime No. 634 of 2023 registered with MIDC Bhosari Police Station, District Pune, 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 the jurisdiction of MIDC Bhosari Police Station limits till conclusion of the trial.

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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.)