HARSHADA H. SAWANT
(P.A.)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

BAIL APPLICATION NO.2832 OF 2026

Rahul Sanjay Khairnar .. Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra .. Respondent

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- Mr. Akshay Bankapur, Advocate for Applicant.
- Mr. Amit A. Palkar, APP for Respondent.
- PSI – B. S. Chavan, Killa Malegaon Police Station, Nashik.

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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : OCTOBER 19, 2026

P.C.:

1. Heard Mr. Bankapur, learned Advocate for Applicant and Mr. Palkar, learned APP for Respondent.

2. This is an Application under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking Bail in connection with C.R. No.57 of 2025 registered with Killa Malegaon Police Station, Nashik for offences punishable under Sections 310(2), 324(4), 352, 61(2) read with Section 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and under Sections 3(1)(ii), 3(2) and 3(4) of the Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act, 1999.

3. Applicant is arraigned as Accused No.5 in the present case. It is *prima facie* seen that in the Test Identification Parade, which is conducted 36 days after the incident, Accused Nos.1 and 4 were

identified. The crime is registered by the Informant against 6 unknown persons alleging that they were looted for approximately Rs.25 Lakhs kept in two cloth bags which were snatched by the Accused persons late at night while they were driving on the Mumbai-Agra Highway. Two of the accused persons out of the 6 who have been arrested on the ground of suspicion, have already been enlarged on bail vide orders dated 10.04.2026 and 18.08.2026.

4. The case of the present Accused is also at par and on parity with the 2 accused persons who have been enlarged on bail. Except Accused No.3 all of them were identified in the test identification parade but Accused Nos.1 and 4 were also have been released on bail.

5. In that view of the matter, on parity drawn with the accused persons who are released on bail, the Applicant is also granted bail on the following terms and conditions:

6. Considering the aforesaid, Applicant is released on bail subject to following conditions:-:-

(i) Applicant - Rahul Sanjay Khairnar is directed to be immediately released from prison in connection with Crime No. 57 of 2025;

(ii) Applicant is directed to be released on bail on furnishing P.R. Bond of Rs. 50,000/- (Rs. Fifty

Thousand only) with one or two surety / sureties of the like amount;

(iii) Applicant shall report to the Investigating Officer at Killa Malegaon Police Station, Nashik, once every month on the first Monday of the month between 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.;

(iv) Applicant shall co-operate with the conduct of trial and attend the Trial Court on all dates, unless specifically exempted and will not take any unnecessary adjournments, if he does so it will entitle the prosecution to apply for revocation of this order;

(v) Applicant shall not leave the State of Maharashtra without prior permission of the Trial Court;

(vi) Applicant shall not influence any of the witnesses or tamper with the evidence in any manner;

(vii) Applicant shall keep the Investigating Officer informed of his current address and mobile contact number and / or change of residence or mobile details, if any, from time to time, as applicable; and

(viii) Any infraction of the conditions shall entail cancellation of bail granted to the Applicant.

7. It is clarified that the observations made in this order are limited for the purpose of granting Bail only and I have not made any

observations on merits of the case. The trial shall be adjudicated on the strength of the evidence led and strictly on its own merits being uninfluenced with any of the *prima facie* observations made hereinabove in this order.

8. Bail Application is allowed and disposed of in the above terms.

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[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]

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