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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

BAIL APPLICATION NO. 3242 OF 2026

Manisha @ Muri Kailash Pawar .. Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra .. Respondent

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- Mr. Sachin B. Chandan a/w. Mr. Nikhat Shaikh, Advocates for Applicant.
- Ms. Rajeshree V. Newton, APP for Respondent.
- HC – Mr. S.E. Bhagare, Jaikheda Police Station present.

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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : OCTOBER 19, 2026

P.C.:

1. Heard Mr. Chandan, learned Advocate for Applicant and Ms. Newton, 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.255 of 2025 registered with Jaikheda Police Station for offences punishable under Sections 103(1) and 238 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

3. In the present case, Applicant is a woman and she has been accused of having murdered her husband by strangulation with the rope. There is no eyewitness to the incident in question. Case of the prosecution rests on extrajudicial confession and recovery of the rope

and the medical opinion. The alleged motive is that the Applicant in retaliation of the cruelty meted out to her had committed the assault and incident in question. The witness statements of the family members which is recorded *prima facie* shows cruelty having been meted out to Applicant by the deceased victim. Be that as it may, considering the aforesaid *prima facie* material or circumstantial evidence, Applicant has made out a case for grant of bail. Complicity of the Applicant will be proved at trial. Applicant is in incarceration for more than one year.

4. Hence, in view of above *prima facie* observations and findings, Bail Application of Applicant is allowed subject to the following terms and conditions:-

(i) Applicant – Manisha @ Muri Kailash Pawar is directed to be immediately released from prison in connection with CR. No.255 of 2025;

(ii) Applicant is directed to be released on bail on furnishing P.R. Bond of Rs.10,000/- (Rs. Ten Thousand only) with one or two sureties in the like amount;

(iii) Applicant shall report to the Investigating Officer at concerned Police Station, once every month, on the first Monday of the month between 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. until commencement of trial and thereafter shall

attend all dates of hearing before the Trial Court;

(iv) Applicant shall cooperate with the conduct of the trial and remain present before the Trial Court on all dates, unless specifically exempted. Applicant shall not seek unnecessary adjournments. Any such conduct shall entitle the prosecution to apply for cancellation of bail;

(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 her current residential address and mobile telephone number and shall forthwith inform the Investigating Officer of any change in her residential address or mobile telephone number, as and when such change occurs; and

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

5. 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.

6. Bail Application is allowed and disposed in the above terms.

[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]

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