



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

902 CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 809 OF 2025

**SAMARTH BALASAHEB SATHE AND OTHERS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS**

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Mr. V. V. Kabade, Advocate for the Appellants
Mr. K. S. Patil, APP for Respondent Nos. 1 and 2
Ms Tanvi V. Jadhav, Advocate (Appointed) for respondent No.3

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CORAM : Y. G. KHOBRAGADE, J.

DATE : March 24, 2026

PER COURT :-

1. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the appellants, the learned APP for respondent Nos. 1 and 2 and Ms Tanvi V. Jadhav, the learned counsel appointed for respondent No.3 / informant.

2. By the present appeal under Section 14-A of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 read with Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, the appellant Nos. 1 to 3 / accused have challenged the order dated 10.10.2025, passed by the learned

Special Judge, Omerga in Criminal Bail Application No.132 of 2025, thereby declined to grant anticipatory bail to the appellants / accused in Crime No.286 of 2025, registered with Lohara Police Station, District Dharashiv on 22.09.2025, for the offence punishable under Sections 85, 352, 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 3(1)(r) and 3(1)(s) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act.

3. On 20.10.2025, this Court passed the order and granted ad-interim anticipatory bail to the present appellants / accused in the said crime on certain terms and conditions.

4. During pendency of the present appeal, on 19.01.2026, the counsel for the appellants had made a statement about possibility of the settlement of matrimonial dispute, if respondent No.3 / informant attends this Court, therefore, the matter was referred to the Mediator. In pursuance of the said order, the appellants / accused and respondent No.3 / informant had appeared before the Mediator appointed through the mediation centre, District Legal Services Authority, Pune. Accordingly, the Mediator has submitted its report dated 25.02.2026 stating that, the appellants / accused and

respondent No.3 / informant participated in the mediation proceeding and both amicably settled their matrimonial dispute. The said communication dated 06.03.2026 with mediation report dated 25.02.2026 are taken on record and marked as Exhibit – “X”, collectively.

5. On request, leave granted to amend the prayer clause. The appellant Nos. 1 to 3 and respondent No.3 shall personally remain present before this Court on 02.04.2026. Stand over to 02.04.2026. The earlier interim relief, if any, to continue till then.

[Y. G. KHOBRADE, J.]

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