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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

**CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.1345 OF 2016
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL NO.706 OF 2016**

Gotiram Pandharinath Shevare	...Applicant
Versus	
The State of Maharashtra	...Respondent

Mr.R.D.Suryawanshi, for the Applicant.

Mr.A.R.Kapadnis, A.P.P for the Respondent-State

***CORAM : REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.
DATE : 14th DECEMBER, 2016***

P.C. :

1. Heard learned Counsel for the applicant and learned A.P.P.

2. The applicant has been convicted by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Nashik, Judgment and Order dated 26th August, 2016, for the offence punishable under Section 354-A of the Indian Penal Code and sentenced to suffer R.I for 2 years and to pay fine of Rs.5,000/- in default to suffer R.I. for 3 months; for the offence punishable under Sections 354-D of the Indian Penal Code to suffer R.I for 2 years and to pay fine of

Rs.5,000/- in default to suffer R.I. for 3 months. Both the aforesaid sentences were directed to be run concurrently. The applicant was also convicted for the offence punishable under Section 12 of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act. However, no separate sentence has been awarded for the same.

3. Learned Counsel for the applicant states that the applicant was on bail, pending trial, and that he has not abused or misused the liberty granted to him. He submits that the Appeal has been admitted and the same is not likely to come up for the hearing in the immediate near future. He further submits that the applicant has surrendered yesterday i.e. 13th December, 2016.

4. Perused the papers. The sentence awarded is under Sections 354-A and 354-D, of the Indian Penal Code and is a short term sentence. It is not in dispute that the applicant was on bail pending trial and that he has not abused or misused the liberty granted to him. The appeal is not likely to be heard in the immediate near future.

5. Considering the aforesaid, the applicant is enlarged on bail, pending the hearing and final disposal of his Appeal, on the following terms and conditions :

ORDER

(i) The Applicant be enlarged on bail on furnishing P.R. Bond in the sum of Rs.15,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount;

(ii) The applicant shall inform his latest place of residence and mobile contact number immediately after being released and/or change of residence or mobile details, if any, from time to time to the trial Court and to the concerned Police Station, in writing.

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

7. All concerned to act on the authenticated copy of this order.

REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.