

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.39 OF 2017

IN

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO.1083 OF 2012

JAGANNATH LAXMAN MONDKAR)...APPLICANT

V/s.

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA)...RESPONDENT

Mr.Sanskar Marathe i/b. Mr.Pradeep Sawant, Advocate for the Applicant.

Mr.Vinod Chate, APP for the Respondent - State.

CORAM : A. M. BADAR, J.

DATE : 1st SEPTEMBER 2017

P.C. :

1 This is an application for early hearing of the appeal filed by the State challenging acquittal of the respondent / public servant for offences punishable under the Prevention of Corruption Act.

2 The learned advocate appearing for the respondent submitted that though the respondent is in service, the State has issued letter dated 14th November 2014 asking him not to make correspondence regarding his promotion as well as regularization of period of suspension because of pendency of the appeal. The learned advocate, therefore, prays that the appeal be heard expeditiously.

3 Appeals under the Prevention of Corruption Act filed even prior to 2000 are still pending for hearing. No case for out of turn hearing is made out, particularly when this court is taking up jail appeals in which accused persons are behind bars for more than five years.

4 The application is, therefore, rejected.

(A. M. BADAR, J.)