

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY**  
**NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR**

CRIMINAL APPLICATION [APPA] NO.794 OF 2017

IN

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO.471 OF 2017

*(Ravindra Laxman Nerete*

*vs.*

*The State of Maharashtra, through P.S.O. Katol)*

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*Office notes, Office Memoranda of  
Coram, appearances, Court's orders  
or directions and Registrar's orders.*

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*Court's or Judge's Orders*

**CORAM : KUM. INDIRA JAIN, J.**  
**DATE : 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2017.**

Heard Shri V.D. Bastain, learned Counsel  
for applicant and Mrs. H.N. Prabhu, learned A.P.P. for  
the State.

By this application, applicant/accused  
seeks suspension of substantive sentence of  
imprisonment awarded by learned Additional  
Sessions Judge, Nagpur vide judgment and order  
dated 18/08/2017 in Special Child Criminal Case  
No.2/2016 thereby convicting the applicant of the  
offences punishable under Section 354(A)(i) of the  
Indian Penal Code and Section 8 of the Prevention  
of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012.

The maximum sentence awarded by trial  
Court is three years rigorous imprisonment.

Learned Counsel for applicant submits that applicant was on bail during trial and after conviction, sentence has been suspended by trial Court.

Considering the short term sentence awarded by trial Court and as applicant was on bail throughout, this Court is inclined to allow the application. Accordingly, the following order :

**ORDER**

- I. Execution of substantive sentence of imprisonment awarded by trial Court is suspended during pendency of appeal on applicant's furnishing P.R. Bond in the sum of Rs.15,000/- with one solvent surety in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court.
- II. Criminal application is allowed and disposed of in above terms.

**JUDGE**