

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA**

**CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 16 OF 2015**

**YOGESH S/O SADU PALEKAR, PRESENTLY  
AT CENTRAL JAIL AGUADA, THR.  
SUJATA S. PALYEKAR.**

**... Appellant**

**Versus**

**STATE, THROUGH AGASSAIM POLICE  
STATION, AGASSAIM.**

**... Respondent**

Shri Arun De Sa with Shri Siddesh Shet, Advocates for the  
Appellant.  
Shri Pravin Faldessai, Additional Public Prosecutor for the  
Respondent.

Coram:- C. V. BHADANG, J.

Date:- 17th February 2018

**OPERATIVE ORDER:**

- (a) The appeal is allowed.
- (b) The impugned judgment of conviction and sentence, is set aside.
- (c) The appellant is acquitted of the offence punishable under Section 376 of IPC, read with Section 3(1)(xii) of the Schedule Castes and Schedule Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.
- (d) The Bail Bonds of the accused stand cancelled.
- (e) The order as regards disposal of the properties, is maintained.

**C. V. BHADANG, J.**

**EV**