

4 Mr. Venegaonkar true to his role as an officer of this Court states that there are two impediments in the appeal against respondent no.4, i.e., (a) in the trial respondent no.4 was not represented and on that ground, respondent no.4 was acquitted and (b) there is no independent charge against respondent no.4. Respondent no.4 falls only under Section 120-B of the Indian Penal Code and when the appeal has abated against respondent nos.1, 2 and 3, the appeal cannot survive only against respondent no.4. Mr. Venegaonkar submits that the Court may accordingly dispose the appeal.

5 Appeal accordingly stands disposed.

(K.R. SHRIRAM, J.)