

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

CRIMINAL APPLICATION (BA) NO. 761 OF 2020

(Wasim Shaikh Karim Shaikh ..vs.. State of Maharashtra, through ACB, Akola and another)

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram,
appearances, Court's orders of directions
and Registrar's orders

Court's or Judge's orders

Shri S.V. Sirpurkar, Counsel for the applicant,
Shri N.B. Jawade, Addl.P.P. for the non-applicants/State.

CORAM : ROHIT B. DEO, J.

DATED : 05-10-2020

Hearing was conducted through video conferencing and the learned Counsel agreed that the audio and visual quality was proper.

2. Heard.

3. The applicant is in custody in Crime 316/2020 registered with Old City Police Station, Akola for offence punishable under Section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act.

4. The applicant is in custody since 24-8-2020 and the investigation is complete.

5. In any event, the prosecution contends that there was a successful trap and the applicant was apprehended accepting bribe.

6. It is obvious that even though the charge-sheet is not filed as yet, releasing the applicant on bail is not likely to hamper the investigation.

7. The application is allowed.

8. The applicant shall be released on bail on executing personal bond of Rs.25,000/- with a solvent surety of like amount.

9. Considering the prevailing circumstances, the surety may be furnished within four weeks of the release.

10. The applicant shall not make any attempt to tamper with the evidence or to influence witnesses, directly or indirectly.

11. The applicant shall attend each date of hearing scrupulously.

12. The applicant shall not leave the country without the permission of the trial Court.

JUDGE

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