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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1791 OF 2021

AAKASH ASHOK MANOHAR

....APPLICANT

V/s.

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA

.....RESPONDENT

**Mr. Ibrahim Shaikh i/b D. M. Telegaonkar for the applicant
Mr. M. G. Patil APP for the State**

CORAM : NITIN W. SAMBRE, J.

DATE: 16th NOVEMBER, 2021.

P.C.:

1] Applicant is seeking bail in C.R. No. 171/2020 registered with C.B.D. Police Station for offence punishable under Sections 342, 354(A), 354(B), 363, 511 of the Indian Penal Code and Section 8, 12 OF Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012.

2] Prosecution story against the applicant is, he took victim girl in a room and tried to outrage her modesty.

3] Offence is punishable with maximum imprisonment of 5 years under the provisions of POCSO Act.

4] The fact remains that for last one year, applicant is behind the bar. There are no criminal antecedents against the applicant.

(i) Applicant be released on bail in C.R. No. 171/2020 registered with C.B.D. Police Station for offence punishable under Sections 342, 354(A), 354(B), 363, 511 of the Indian Penal Code and Section 8, 12 OF Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 upon furnishing P.R. bond in the sum of Rs. 25,000/- with one or more sureties in the like amount.

(ii) Applicant shall neither influence the prosecution witnesses in any manner nor tamper with the evidence.

5] Application stands disposed of.

[NITIN W. SAMBRE, J.]