

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

BAIL APPLICATION NO.1373 OF 2020

Javid Khatri Mohd. Javid Hanifbhai ... Applicant
Vs
The State of Maharashtra ... Respondents
...

Mr. Manoj Mohite, Sr. Adv. i/by Mr. Pankaj S. Pandey for
the Applicant.

Mrs. Veera Shinde, APP for the Respondent-State.

Mr. Joveson with Mr. R.R.Nair for Intervenor.

PSI A.M.Bhabal attached to Dongri P.Stn. Present.

CORAM : SANDEEP K. SHINDE J.
DATE : 4th FEBRUARY, 2021.

P.C. :

Heard Mr. Mohite, learned Senior Counsel for the
applicant and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor for
the State.

2 Vide order dated 5th November, 2019, this Court
requested the learned Special Court to commence the trial
at the earliest and conclude it preferably within six months

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from the receipt of the order.

3 Obviously, due to prevailing Covid-19 Pandemic, trial has neither commenced nor concluded within six months. Thus, this application is filed seeking bail.

4 The learned Addition Public Prosecutor on instructions submits that though the charge has been framed, victim and the mother of the victim are in United Kingdom. Both these witnesses will come to India in 4th week of March, I.e, around 22nd March, 2021. Statement is accepted.

5 In consideration of the facts of the case, the learned Special Court is directed to commence and conclude the trial on or before 25th June, 2021.

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6 It is made clear that if the trial is not concluded within period as stated above, applicant is granted liberty to move this Court and renew request for bail.

7 Application is disposed of in aforesaid terms.

(SANDEEP K. SHINDE, J.)