

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1711 OF 2020

Chandrakant Shivajirao More	...Applicant
Versus	
The State of Maharashtra and Anr.	...Respondents

Mr. Syed Shabana M. Ali for the Applicant.

Mr. A.A.Palkar, A.P.P for the Respondent No.1-State.

Ms. Devyani Kulkarni appointed as an *amicus curiae* for the Respondent No.2.

CORAM : REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.
DATE : 23rd SEPTEMBER, 2021

P.C. :

1. After arguing for sometime, when the Court was not inclined to grant bail to the applicant, learned Counsel for the applicant sought leave to withdraw the application.
2. The application is accordingly dismissed as withdrawn.
3. However, having regard to the fact that the victim girl was aged only 13 years, the trial of the applicant is expedited.

4. The mandate of the POCSO Act is that the child is to be examined within 30 days. Till date, the trial has not commenced. Hence, the trial of the applicant is expedited. Learned Judge to conclude the trial as expeditiously as possible and in any event, within six months from the date of receipt of this order. The aforesaid order to be placed before the learned Judge, seized of the said case.

5. All concerned to act on the authenticated copy of this order.

REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.