

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

BAIL APPLICATION NO.2762 OF 2019

Aalam Rahim Shaikh ... Applicant
Vs
The State of Maharashtra ... Respondents
...

Mr. H.S. Pasi for the Applicant.

Mr. R.M.Pethe, APP for the Respondent-State.

PSI S.G.Kadale attached to APMC P.Stn. Present.

CORAM : SANDEEP K. SHINDE J.
DATE : 12th MARCH, 2021.

P.C. :

Heard.

2 Applicant seeks his enlargement on bail in connection with Crime No.I-178 of 2018 registered with APMC Police Station, Navi Mumbai for the offence punishable under Sections 489-B and 489-C of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.

3 On 12th July, 2018, applicant attempted to use counterfeit currency notes as genuine in vegetable market at APMC. He was apprehended. Whereafter five currency notes of denomination of Rs.2,000/- were recovered from his person. Report of currency notes is called for. I have perused the report dated 15th October, 2018 of Currency Notes Press, Nashik Road.

4 Applicant claims that he was regularly supplying vegetables to one person at Antop Hill, Mumbai. He would claim that these five currency notes were given to him by that person. Pursuant to this information, investigation has been made. It is revealed that no such person exists at the place nor his cell number given by the applicant is correct. The offence punishable under Section 489 of the IPC is punishable with imprisonment for life or with imprisonment for a term, which may extend to ten years.

5 In consideration of the facts of the case, I am not inclined to release the applicant on bail.

6 Application is rejected.

7 However, the trial in the Sessions Case No.23 of 2019 is expedited. The learned Trial Court is requested to conclude the trial preferably before 31st December, 2021.

8 Application is disposed of in aforesaid terms.

(SANDEEP K. SHINDE, J.)