

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 678 OF 2014

The State of Maharashtra

Appellant

Versus

Madhavrao Bhaurao Dharwad

Respondent

Mr. A. V. Deshmukh, APP for the appellant

Mr. Sanket N. Suryawanshi, advocate for the Respondent.

**CORAM : V. M. DESHPANDE AND
SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE, JJ.**

DATE: 21st April, 2022.

PC :

1 This is an appeal filed on behalf of the State challenging the judgment and order of acquittal passed by the learned *Ad hoc* Additional Sessions Judge, Osmanabad, in Criminal Appeal No. 25 of 2007, dated 06.03.2012, acquitting Respondent – Madhavrao Bhaurao Dharwad, for the offence punishable under Section 409 of the Indian Penal Code.

2 This appeal was admitted.

3 During pendency of the appeal, Respondent – Madhavrao Bhaurao Dharwad passed on 16.06.2021. Copy of the

Death Certificate is placed on record, which is marked Exhibit "X" for the purposes of identification. Exhibit "X", issued by the Sub Registrar, Birth & Death, Nanded Waghala City Municipal Corporation, Nanded, shows that Respondent Madhavrao Bhaurao Dharwad passed on 16.06.2021.

4 The learned A. P. P. Shri A. V. Deshmukh submits that he has instructions to make a statement that the Respondent is no more and the death certificate (Exhibit "X") is issued by the competent authority. The statement is accepted.

5 In view of the same, Criminal Appeal No. 678 of 2014 stands abated and disposed of as such.

(SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE)
JUDGE

(V. M. DESHPANDE)
JUDGE

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