

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO.903 OF 2019**

Bharat Sampat Mhasne ... Applicant

V/s.

The State of Maharashtra ... Respondent

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Ms. M.M. Deshmukh, APP for the Respondent - State.

CORAM : SMT. SADHANA S. JADHAV, J.

DATE : 9th FEBRUARY 2022.

PC. : THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCING

1. The learned APP has placed on record a report dated 13th February 2020 in the case which shows that as of that day 5 witnesses were examined and the next scheduled date is 13th February 2020.

2. In view of the fact that the trial has commenced and 5 witnesses are examined, the application stands disposed of. However, taking into consideration the fact that the offence was registered in 2015 and was also committed to the Court of Sessions in 2015, it is expected that the trial is expedited. More so, since this Court, vide order dated 9th January 2017 had requested the Sessions Court to

make every endeavour to conclude the recording of evidence as early as possible within one year from the date of framing of charge, trial of the absconding accused needs to be separated, if it is not already separated. The learned Sessions Court shall in any case conclude the trial by 30th July 2022.

3. Application stands disposed of.

(SMT. SADHANA S. JADHAV, J)