

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

**CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.1171 OF 2023 IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL NO.269 OF 2023**

Roni Ravindranath (Ravindrasingh) Mandal... **APPLICANT**

VERSUS

The State of Maharashtra & anr. ... **RESPONDENTS**

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Mr. S.E. Shekade, Advocate for applicant
Mr. A.A. Jagatkar, Advocate for respondent No.1.
Mr. S.P. Mahale, Advocate for respondent No.2.
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CORAM : R.G. AVACHAT, J.

DATE : 12th APRIL, 2023

PER COURT :

Heard. This is an application for suspension of sentence. The applicant has been sentenced to suffer maximum imprisonment for five years and fine with default stipulation.

2. Learned A.P.P. and learned appointed counsel for respondent No.2 have strong reservations to grant the application. Considering the nature of offence, and it being a short term sentence, the Court is inclined to allow the

application. Hence the order :

ORDER

(i) The application is allowed.

(ii) Pending the appeal, the execution of substantives imposed upon the applicant by learned Special Judge under POCSO Act, Ahmednagar by judgment and order dated 21/3/2023, passed in Special Case No.237/2019 is suspended and the applicant be released on bail on his executing P.R. bond in the sum of Rs.15,000/- (Rupees fifteen thousand) with one surety in the like amount.

(R.G. AVACHAT, J.)

fmp/-