

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

BAIL APPLICATION NO.3820 OF 2021

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Ulhas Chandrakant Shendge ..Applicant
VS.
The State of Maharashtra and anr. ..Respondents

Adv. Mallika Sharma i/b. Adv. Abdeali Kothawala for the
Applicant.

Mr. S. V. Gavand, APP for the State-respondent No.1.
Adv. Anushree Koparkar for respondent No.2.

CORAM : M. S. KARNIK, J.

DATE : FEBRUARY 14, 2023

P.C. :

1. Heard learned counsel for the applicant.
2. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that she may be permitted to withdraw the application on merits with liberty to file a fresh application after six months considering that the applicant is in custody for more than 2 years and 5 months. The offence is punishable under Sections 363, 376, 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and under Sections 6, 8 and 12 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 (hereafter 'the POCSO Act' for short).

3. The application is allowed to be withdrawn with liberty to file a fresh application for bail after six months.

4. The trial Court is requested to record the evidence of the victim under Section 35 of the POCSO Act within a period of one month from the date when the order is placed before the trial Court.

(M. S. KARNIK, J.)