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

BAIL APPLICATION NO. 4077 OF 2021

Mohd. Anas S/o Mohd. Naseem ..Applicant
VS.
Union of India and anr. ..Respondents

Mr. Ayaz Khan, for the Applicant.
Mr. H.J. Dedhia, APP for the State.
Mr. Shreeram Shirsat a/w Nishi Singhvi a/w Annx Oommen,
for Respondent.

CORAM : M. S. KARNIK, J.

DATE : FEBRUARY 10, 2023

P.C. :

1. At the request of learned counsel for the applicant on instructions, the bail application is allowed to be withdrawn.
2. Learned counsel for the applicant made a request that considering the period spent by the applicant in custody, the trial may be expedited. The request made is reasonable. Considering that there are 8 to 10 witnesses to be examined, as is the submission of learned counsel for the applicant, learned trial Court is requested to expedite the trial, preferably within 1 year's time from the date this order

is produced on record. Considering that it has been repeatedly stressed that NDPS cases should be tried as early as possible because in such cases, normally accused are not released on bail, the aforesaid request for expediting the trial is reasonable. I am equally conscious of the pressure on the Special Court.

3. Liberty to apply for bail afresh in case the trial does not progress substantially.

4. The bail application is disposed of as withdrawn with liberty.

(M. S. KARNIK, J.)