

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.40 OF 2024**

Tulshidas Tatyaba Jadhav	...	Applicant
versus		
The State of Maharashtra	...	Respondent

Mr. Rahul Arote with Mr. Siddhesh Borkar, for Applicant.
Mr. R.M.Pethe, APP for State.

CORAM: N.J.JAMADAR, J.

DATE : 16 APRIL 2024

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1. Heard the learned Counsel for the parties.
2. This is an application for modification of the amount of the bail ordered to be furnished by the learned Additional Sessions Judge while releasing the applicant on bail in Criminal Bail Application No.3212 of 2023.
3. The applicant has been arraigned for the offences punishable under Sections 406, 420 of the Indian Penal Code. The applicant had allegedly defrauded the first informant and other victims to the tune of Rs.45,85,000/-. The learned Additional Sessions Judge directed the release of the applicant on executing a PR Bond of Rs.10 Lakhs and furnishing one or two solvent sureties in the like amount.
4. It is trite, the amount of bail bond should not be so excessive or exorbitant as to render the order of bail illusory. It is not the quantum of the bail bond, but the reach of the law which secures the presence of the accused at the trial. The

amount of bail bond of Rs.10 Lakhs appears to be quite exorbitant, by any standard.

5. I am, therefore, inclined to allow the application and reduce the amount of bail bond to Rs.50,000/-. The order passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, thus, stands modified to the aforesaid extent.

6. The application stands disposed.

(N.J.JAMADAR, J.)