

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

CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 196 OF 2024

Uday Gagan Mandal

... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

... Respondent

Ms. Shalaka Karkar i/b Siddh Vidya & Associates, Appointed
Advocate for the Petitioner

Mrs. P. P. Shinde, A.P.P for the Respondent-State

Jailor, Group-II Mr. Balasaheb Palave, from Thane Central
Prison, is present

***CORAM : REVATI MOHITE DERE &
SHYAM C. CHANDAK, JJ.
FRIDAY, 28th JUNE 2024***

P.C. :

1 Heard learned counsel for the parties.

2 By this application sent through jail, the applicant
seeks expeditious disposal of his case i.e. Sessions Case No.

190/2015 which is pending before the 10th Court, Dindoshi Court, Mumbai.

3 It appears that the petitioner is languishing in jail for almost 9 years and that till date, only 4 out of 22 witnesses have been examined by the prosecution. The right to speedy trial is a fundamental right of an accused and as such the trial of the petitioner ought to be complete expeditiously.

4 Considering that the petitioner is languishing in jail for 9 years, the trial of the petitioner is expedited. The learned Judge seized of Sessions Case No. 190/2015, to conduct the trial of the said case on day-to-day basis and decide the case of the petitioner as expeditiously as possible.

5 The learned A.P.P assures that the witnesses to whom summons are issued, will be kept present on the dates as directed by the trial Court. She also assures to this Court that the

petitioner will be produced either physically or through video-conferencing.

6 The petitioner with whom we interacted through video-conferencing, assures us that his advocate will remain present before the learned Judge and will cooperate in the expeditious disposal of the case.

7 Accordingly, the petition stands disposed of on the aforesaid terms.

SHYAM C. CHANDAK, J.

REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.