

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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 208 OF 2024

Mohd. Farhan Sakib Khan

..Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra & Anr.

..Respondents

Mr. Nikhil Wadikar i/b. Sejal Jain for Applicant.

Smt. M. R. Tidke, APP for State/Respondent.

Mr. Tahera Rashid Qureshi (Appointed Advocate) for Respondent No.2.

CORAM : SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.

DATE : 12 AUGUST 2024

P.C. :

1. Learned APP informs the Court that the trial has started, the evidence of the mother of the victim is already recorded and the next date for recording the evidence of the victim is fixed on 02.09.2024. She submitted that, therefore, the trial is likely to get over.

2. Considering these submissions, learned counsel for the Applicant does not press this application, at this stage. However, he prays that the trial be made time bound and if it is not over

within that period, liberty be granted to the Applicant to approach this Court for releasing him on bail during pendency of the trial.

3. Considering both these submissions, since this is the third time the applicant has approached this Court, the following order is passed:

ORDER

- i) The learned Trial Judge shall make all the efforts to conclude the trial, as far as possible, within four months from 02.09.2024.
- ii) Both the sides shall co-operate with the disposal of the trial within that period.
- iii) If the trial is not over within that period, the Applicant is at liberty to file a fresh application for his release on bail during the pendency of the trial, if it is still pending.
- iv) With these observations, the application is disposed of as not pressed.

(SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.)