

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
BAIL APPLICATION NO. 1414 OF 2024**

Jagdish Bhikari Varma	...	Applicant
vs.		
The State of Maharashtra and another	...	Respondents

Mr. Abhang Suryawanshi a/w. Mr. Paramhans S. Dixit, i/b. Narayan Gopinath Rokade for applicant.

Mr. Prasanna P. Malshe, APP for respondent No.1-State.

Mr. S. S. Ghag, PSI, Malvani Police Station, Mumbai.

**CORAM : MANISH PITALE, J.
DATE : 14th AUGUST, 2024**

P.C. :

. The learned APP to verify as to whether notice has been served on respondent No.2 as the present case involves offences under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 also.

2. Considering the fact that the applicant was arrested on 27.02.2017 and he has remained behind bars for more than 7 years, the learned APP is expected to take appropriate instructions at the earliest.

3. If the respondent No.2 is not served, the investigating officer shall ensure that notice is served upon the said respondent within one week from today.

4. List the application for further consideration on 28.08.2024, to be included in the supplementary list.

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