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Petitioner / appellant was convicted for the offences U/s.7 and Section 13(2) r/w 13(1)(d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and sentenced to undergo five (5) years of Rigorous Imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs.10,000/- in default to undergo three (3) months Simple Imprisonment for offence U/s.7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, and to undergo five (5) years of Rigorous Imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs.10,000/- in default to undergo three (3) months Simple Imprisonment for offences U/s.13(2) r/w 13(1)(d) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, by the learned Special Judge (Under P.C. Act), Puducherry, under judgment in Special C.C.No.15 of 2014 dated 11.09.2024. Hence, the petitioner seeks suspension of sentence.

2. The learned counsel for petitioner submits that the petitioner is in prison now. The learned counsel further submits that there are several infirmities



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and inconsistencies found in the prosecution case and there are contradictions in the material particulars between the evidence of the prosecution witnesses.

3.Heard Mr.N.Baskaran, for the respondent. The learned counsel vehemently opposed it.

4. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and in view of the fact that there are several infirmities in the prosecution case and there are arguable points involved in the appeal, as contended by the learned counsel for petitioner and that the appeal is not likely to be taken up for final hearing in the near future, this Court is of the considered view that the petitioner herein is entitled to the relief of grant of suspension of sentence.

5. The substantive sentence of imprisonment alone is suspended accordingly, and the petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten



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thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Special Judge (Under P.C. Act), Puducherry and on further condition that the petitioner shall appear before the said Court on the first working day of every month at 10.30 a.m. till further orders.

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