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

BAIL APPLICATION NO.725 OF 2024

Shekhar Ramlu Kotap	... Applicant
V/s.	
The State of Maharashtra & Anr.	... Respondents

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Mr. Ashok M. Saraogi for the applicant.

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

Ms. Komal Sinha for respondent No.2-victim
(appointed as Legal Aid).

Mr. Bhagwan Pawar, PSI, Kurar Police Station, Mumbai,
is present.

CORAM : AMIT BORKAR, J.

DATED : JULY 28, 2025

P.C.:

1. This is a bail application filed by the applicant under Section 439 of the Criminal Procedure Code, 1973. The matter was taken up for hearing. Learned Advocate appearing for the applicant made submissions in support of the prayer for grant of bail. However, after hearing the submissions and upon a prima facie consideration of the material on record, this Court was not inclined to grant the relief as prayed.

2. At this stage, learned Advocate for the applicant, on instructions, seeks permission to withdraw the present bail application with liberty to file fresh application after one year. The

request was made with an understanding of the consequences of such withdrawal.

3. In view of the above, the present bail application is allowed to be withdrawn with liberty as prayed for.

4. However, the applicant shall be at liberty to renew the request for bail after a period of one year from today, in the event there is no substantial progress in the trial during that period.

5. The Trial Court is directed to expedite the trial, and shall complete examination of material witnesses within one year from today.

(AMIT BORKAR, J.)