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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

BAIL APPLICATION NO. 3791 OF 2024

Raju Sadhya Kamathi

.. Applicant

Versus

State of Maharashtra

.. Respondent

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- Ms. Anima Mishra a/w Mr. Anuj Singh i/by Hulyalkar & Associates for Applicant
- Ms. Megha S. Bajoria, APP for Respondent - State

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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : MARCH 28, 2025

P. C.:

1. Heard Ms. Mishra, learned Advocate for Applicant and Ms. Bajoria, learned APP for Respondent-State.

2. At the outset, Ms. Mishra, learned Advocate for Applicant would submit that the victim / legal guardian of the victim has not been impleaded as party. Hence, leave to amend is granted. Applicant is permitted to amend the Application and implead the victim / legal guardian of the victim as Respondent No. 2 in the Application considering the indictment of Applicant under the provisions of IPC Act and POCSO Act. Amendment is permitted to be carried out within a week from today. Re-verification stands dispensed with.

3. After carrying out the amendment as stated above, issue notice to Respondents returnable on 04.04.2025. Humdast permitted. Learned APP waives service for Respondent No. 1.
4. In addition to service of notice through Court, learned Advocate for Applicant shall serve one extra set of papers of the present Application on the concerned Investigating Officer (IO) directly. Learned APP shall inform the IO to ensure that a responsible lady police officer is deputed and consent of Respondent No. 2 / legal guardian is accordingly obtained for legal representation if they desires Legal Aid and apprise the Court on the next date so that this Court can take further steps to appoint Advocate to represent and espouse the cause of Respondent No. 2.
5. Stand over to **4th April, 2025**. To be placed under the caption "**for Directions**".

[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]

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