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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 4383 OF 2024

Abdul Qadir Abdul Kalam

.. Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and Anr.

.. Respondents

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- Ms. Reena Prajapati a/w. Mr. Abhishek Palve, Advocates holding for Mr. Pravin Kukreja for Applicant.
 - Ms. Rajeshree V. Newton, APP for Respondent No.1 – State.
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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : FEBRUARY 26, 2025.

P.C.:

- 1.** Mentioned at the time of rising of the Court.
- 2.** Heard Ms. Prajapati, learned Advocate for Applicant and Ms. Newton, learned APP for Respondent No.1 – State.
- 3.** This is an Application under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking Regular Bail in connection with C.R.No.577 of 2024 registered with Shivaji Nagar Police Station, Thane for the offences punishable under Sections 376-AB of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Sections 4, 6, 8 and 12 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012.
- 4.** In the present Application, prosecutrix / victim is joined as Respondent No.2. Hence, issue notice to Respondent No.2.

5. Ms. Newton, learned APP waives notice on behalf of Respondent No.1 – State.
6. Additional copy of the Bail Application shall be filed in the Department by the Advocate for Applicant. In addition thereto, one spare copy of the Application shall be given to the Investigating Officer who is directed by this Court to depute a lady officer and take Respondent No.2's consent for legal representation, if so desired.
7. Let this exercise be carried out within a period of one week from today.
8. Stand over to **05th March, 2025 for directions.**

[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]

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