

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
WRIT PETITION NO. 871 of 2025**

Sudutt Dadasaheb Dive

... Petitioner

versus

The State of Maharashtra and anr.

.... Respondents

Mr. Nikhil Patil i/b. Mr. P. M. Jadhav, Advocate for the Petitioner

Mr. Prasanna Malshe, APP for Respondent No.1-State.

Mr. Kartik Garg along with Ms Aashka Shell, Advocate for Respondent No.2.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 7th APRIL, 2025.

P.C. :

1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner, learned APP for respondent No.1 and learned counsel for respondent No.2.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that he does not want to press remaining prayer clauses except prayer clause (a).
3. Considering the submission of learned counsel for the petitioner, the petition is allowed in terms of prayer clause (a) and disposed of..
4. The learned Sessions Judge shall hear the petitioner before staying the acquittal and shall decide the matter on its own merit.

5. It is made clear that the Sessions Court shall hear the petitioner in respect of stay of acquittal order dated 16th October 2024 only.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)