

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 239 OF 2025

Santosh Bandu Raut

... Applicant

V/s.

The State of Maharashtra & Anr.

...Respondents

Mr.G.K.Muneshwar for Applicant.

Smt. Prajakta P. Shinde, A.P.P. for Respondent No.1 - State.

Ms. Kavita Anchan appointed Advocate for Respondent No.2.

Respondent No.2 present.

CORAM : A. S. GADKARI AND
RAJESH S. PATIL, JJ.
DATE : 25th AUGUST, 2025

PC.:-

1) In pursuance of the Order dated 4th August, 2025, Legal Aid Services Committee, High Court, Bombay has appointed Advocate Ms.Kavita S.Anchan to represent Respondent No.2. Today in the morning session, Advocate Ms.Anchan appeared and submitted that, Respondent No.2 intends to appoint an Advocate of her own choice to espouse her cause and therefore she may be discharged from the case. Application was therefore kept back for consideration.

1.1) Application thereafter was called out in the second session for

hearing. Respondent No.2 appeared in person and submitted that, she is not comfortable with the Advocate appointed by the Legal Aid Committee and intends to appoint Advocate at her own cost to espouse her cause. She submitted that, for the inconvenience caused to the Legal Aid Services Committee, High Court, Bombay, she is ready and willing to pay a cost of Rs.1,000/- to the said Committee within a period of two weeks from today. The said statement is accepted.

2) At the request of Respondent No.2, stand over to 15th September, 2025.

2.1) To be listed under the caption 'For Admission'.

(RAJESH S. PATIL, J.)

(A.S. GADKARI, J.)