

HARSHADA H. SAWANT
(P.A.)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

BAIL APPLICATION NO.849 OF 2025

Unnikrishnan Rajeevkumar Bhaskaran
alias Rajiv Unnikrishnan

.. Applicant

Versus

State of Maharashtra and Anr.

.. Respondents

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- Mr. Nishad Nevgie a/w. Ms. Bhuneshwari Kanojia and Samaa Shah, Advocates i/by S N Juris for Applicant.
- Mr. Sukanta A. Karmakar, APP for Respondent No.1.
- PI- Rajput Ajitsingh, Samatanagar Police Station, Kandivali, Mumbai.

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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : FEBRUARY 27, 2025

P.C.:

1. Heard Mr. Nevgie, learned Advocate for Applicant and Mr. Karmakar, learned APP for Respondent No.1.

2. Applicant is indicted under provisions of Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 (for short 'POCSO'). He is incarcerated for 43 months.

3. Mr. Karmakar, learned APP appears for Respondent No.1. He waives service for Respondent No.1.

4. Issue notice to private Respondent No.2. Humdast permitted. In addition to Court's notice, Applicant is directed to serve a copy of this order and copy of the Application on the Investigating Officer directly. Mr. Nevgie informs the Court that Respondent No.2 is already

been served despite that he is directed to serve extra set of papers on Investigating Officer directly.

5. Investigating Officer is directed by this Court to depute a responsible lady Police Officer to serve copy of Respondent No.2 and obtain her consent as to whether she requires legal representation through legal aid. The consent of Respondent No.2 shall be apprised to the Court on the next adjourned date through the learned APP.

6. Stand over to **06th March, 2025.** To be placed under the caption '**For Directions**'.

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[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]

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