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

**INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 664 OF 2025
IN
CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 2628 OF 2024**

Mohammed Sikandar Cheemu

.. Applicant

Versus

Union of India and Anr.

.. Respondents

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- Ms. Lochan P. Chandka, Advocate for Applicant.

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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : FEBRUARY 26, 2025.

P.C.:

- 1.** Heard Ms. Chandka, learned Advocate for Applicant.
- 2.** In the present Interim Application, Respondent No.1 is the Union of India. Today, when the Application is called out for hearing, none appears for Respondent No.1 – Union of India.
- 3.** Application has been filed by the Applicant to travel abroad to Umarah in Saudi Arabia with his family. Applicant is enlarged on bail 31.07.2024. Copy of that order is appended at page No.9 of the Application.
- 4.** I am informed that Respondents were served only yesterday. Hence benefit of doubt needs to be given to Respondent No.1 – Union of India for not having sufficient time to appoint an Advocate to represent them immediately.

5. Advocate for the Applicant would submit that tickets are already booked for 02.03.2025. I make it clear that unless I hear the Respondents whether the Applicant has booked the tickets or not does not make any difference to the Court. This shall be noted by the Advocate for Applicant.

6. Copy of this order shall be served on Respondent No.1 – Union of India. Respondent No.1 - Union of India is directed to depute a responsible Advocate / Counsel to appear in the present Interim Application and make its submission with respect to the Application of the Applicant.

7. Considering the request made by the learned Advocate for Applicant, list the Interim Application on Board on **05th March, 2025**. To be placed on the '**Supplementary Board**'.

[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]

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