



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 153 OF 2024

WITH

INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 832 OF 2025

Vikrant Dattatray Deshmukh	Petitioner
Vs.	
The State of Maharashtra	Respondent

Ms. Leena R. Patil, Appointed Advocate for the Petitioner.
Mr. Mahesh Mule, Special Public Prosecutor with Mrs. Nidhi Narwekar & Ms. Kranti T. Hiwrale, APP, for the Respondent-State.
Mr. Mahesh Jadhav, API, Crime Branch, Navi Mumbai, Investigation Officer is present.

CORAM : REVATI MOHITE DERE &

DR. NEELA GOKHALE, JJ.

DATE : 7th APRIL 2025.

P.C.:-

1. By this Petition sent through jail, the Petitioner seeks merging of all the MCOC cases before one Court and for conduct of the trial on day-to-day basis. Learned Special Public Prosecutor, on instructions, states that there are in all six cases pending before the Panel Court i.e., Special Case Nos.58 of 2023, 84 of 2023, 195 of 2023, 181 of 2023, 93 of 2023 and 188 of 2023; one case, i.e., Special Case No.293 of 2020 is pending before the Thane Special

Court; and presently one case, i.e., Regular Criminal Case No.184 of 2023 is pending before the learned Judicial Magistrate First Class at Uran. It does appear from what is disclosed to us by the learned Special Public Prosecutor that six cases are pending before the Panvel Court and one case before the Thane Court. We are informed by the learned Special Public Prosecutor that one case is pending before the Court of Judicial Magistrate First Class, Uran, being Sessions triable will also be forwarded to the Panvel Court, where the Petitioner's six cases are pending.

2. In view of the fact that all the 7 MCOC cases are being tried by the Panvel Court, we are not inclined to merge the MCOC case pending before the Thane Court, with the aforesaid cases pending before the Panvel Court.

3. The Petition is accordingly disposed off.

4. Needless to state, that it is open for the Petitioner to file appropriate Application before the concerned Court for expeditious hearing, which shall be considered on its own merits by the concerned Judge.

5. In view of the order passed in the Writ Petition, nothing survives for consideration in the Interim Application. The same is also disposed off.

(DR. NEELA GOKHALE, J.)

(REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.)