



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

911 CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 1936 OF 2026
IN APEAL/386/2026

PRAVIN SHRIDHAR DESHMUKH
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA

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Ms. Renuka S. Karande h/f. Ms. Ashwini Annasaheb Lomte, Advocate
for Applicant.
Mr. S. G. Joshi, APP for Respondent-State.
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CORAM : SIDDHESHWAR S. THOMBRE, J.
(VACATION COURT)

DATE : 21st MAY, 2026

PC.:-

1. Heard.
2. Issue notice to respondent – State. Learned APP waives service of notice for respondent – State.
3. Instant application is for suspension of sentence and grant of bail on account of conviction recorded by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Kaij, dated 10.04.2026 in Sessions Case No.151 of 2023 (old No.33/2022).
4. Learned counsel pointed out that present applicant was held guilty by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Kaij, dated 10.04.2026 in Sessions Case No.151 of 2023 (old No.33/2022) under Sections 353 and 332 of the Indian Penal Code. The maximum

punishment inflicted upon the applicant is of one year only. The applicant has preferred appeal and the same is of the year 2026. According to him, as appeal against conviction would take long time to be heard, he urged for relief of suspension as well as grant of bail.

5. Opposing the above application, learned APP pointed out that maximum sentence awarded is imprisonment for one year. He submitted that, on full fledged trial guilt has been recorded.

6. Perused the papers including the judgment under challenge by way of appeal. Apparently, applicant was held guilty under the aforesaid provisions. Said judgment is challenged by way of appeal and the same appears to be numbered as Criminal Appeal No.386 of 2026. Consequently, appeal being recent, may not be heard early. Applicant was reported to be on bail during trial and he has been granted suspension by the Trial Court. Therefore, in the light of above discussion, relief of suspension of sentence deserves to be granted. Hence, following order is passed.

ORDER

(I) Criminal Application stands allowed.

(II) The substantive sentence imposed on the applicant in Sessions Case No.151 of 2023 (old No.33/2022) by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Kaij on 10.04.2026, stands suspended till the final hearing and disposal of

Criminal Appeal No.386 of 2026.

- (III) The applicant be released on PR. Bond of Rs.15,000/-
(Rupees Fifteen Thousand Only) with one solvent surety
in the like amount.
- (IV) Bail before the trial court.

(SIDDHESHWAR S. THOMBRE, J.)

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