

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIRCUIT BENCH AT KOLHAPUR
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRI-INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 3692 OF 2025
IN
CR. APPEAL NO. 1005 OF 2025

MARUTI TATYABA SALUNKHE
VERSUS
STATE OF MAHARASHTRA

Advocate for Applicant : Mr. Vaibhav R. Gaikwad a/w Mr. Ganesh
Tikole and Mr. Aniket Patil
APP for Respondent-State : Mr. A. S. Shalgaonkar

CORAM : SACHIN S. DESHMUKH, J.

Date : 15th April, 2026

ORDER :-

1. Heard learned counsel for respective sides.
2. By this application, the applicant seeks the suspension of the sentence imposed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Satara, vide judgment and order dated 08.10.2025 in Sessions Case No. 16 of 2024. The Trial Court convicted the applicant / accused for the offences punishable under Section 307 of the Indian Penal Code and sentenced to suffer rigorous imprisonment of 10 years and shall pay fine of Rs. 1,10,000/- .
3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the

applicant is an elderly person who, being a labourer, is unable to deposit the fine amount due to financial hardship. It is further submitted that the applicant was on bail during the trial and did not misuse the liberty. Hence, prayed to allow the application for suspension of sentence.

4. It is contention of learned APP that prosecution has proved the case beyond the reasonable doubt. The Trial Court has rendered a well reasoned order and no interference is required in it. Hence, requested to reject the application.

5. I have heard both learned counsel, perused impugned Judgment and Order. The applicant is on bail during the course of trial and has not misused the liberty. The sentence imposed upon the applicant is a short term sentence and this Court would not be in a position to take up the matter for final hearing immediately. Hence, following order.

ORDER

I. The application is **allowed**.

II. The substantive sentence of imprisonment awarded to the applicant by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Satara, vide

judgment and order dated 08.10.2025 in Sessions Case No. 16 of 2024 is hereby suspended.

III. The applicant be enlarged on bail on furnishing PR Bond in the sum of Rs. 25,000/- (Rs. Twenty Five Thousand Only) and one solvent surety in the like amount.

IV. Applicant shall mark his presence before the the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Satara once in three months on the date assigned by the concerned Court.

The application is disposed of accordingly.

(SACHIN S. DESHMUKH, J.)

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