

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

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 1456 OF 2025

Anil Vasant Rao Deshmukh

...Applicant

Versus

Deputy Director, Directorate of Enforcement,
PMLA And Anr.

...Respondents

Mr. Vikram Chaudhari (Through VC), Senior Advocate a/w Mr. Keshavam Chaudhari, Mr. Inderpal Balbir Singh & Mr. Soyal Khan, learned Advocates for the Applicant.

Mr. Prashant Mishra, Counsel a/w Mr. Bharat Jadhav, Ms. Purva Birla, Mr. Krish Kariya & Ms. Ishita Bhaiya, learned Advocates for Respondent No. 1-ED.

Ms. Pallavi N. Dabholkar, learned A.P.P. for the State/Respondent.

CORAM : ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.

DATE : 16th FEBRUARY 2026.

P.C. :

1. Heard Mr. Vikram Chaudhari, learned Senior Advocate appearing through Video Conference for the Applicant.
2. Issue notice to the Respondents.
3. Mr. Prashant Mishra, learned Counsel appears and states that he has instructions to represent Respondent No. 1-Directorate of Enforcement. He submits that the copy of present Criminal Application (comprising of 800 pages) was furnished to the office of Respondent No. 1 on Friday i.e. 13.02.2026 and therefore, he requires 2 weeks' time to file reply.

4. Leave granted to file reply. Reply be filed within a period of 2 weeks from today with an advance copy to the learned Advocate for the Applicant and Respondent No. 2, to be furnished 3 days in advance.
5. Ms. Pallavi Dabholkar, learned A.P.P. appears and waives service of notice on behalf of the State/Respondent.
6. At the request of Mr. Prashant Mishra, learned Counsel for Respondent No. 1 and by consent of the parties, list the matter on **5th March 2026**.

[ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.]

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