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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

BAIL APPLICATION NO. 521 OF 2025

Mohan Shankar Turde
versus
The State of Maharashtra

Mr. Satyavrat Joshi a/w Mr. Samay Pawar i/b Mr. Ashish Kachole,
Advocate for Applicant.

Mr. M. G. Patil, APP for Respondent-State.

API- Shitalkumar, Vadgaon Maval Police Station, present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 10th APRIL, 2026.

P.C. :

1. Heard learned counsel for the Applicant and learned APP for the Respondent-State.
2. The Learned APP, on instructions, submit that, investigation officer inquired with the concerned authority of forensic laboratory, the concerned authority informed the investigating officer that, they are now examining the samples given to them of year 2020 and the present case is of year 2024 and it will take time.
3. The learned counsel for the applicant submit that, applicant is behind bars for more than around 2 years, but forensic lab report is not received. On last date, this court had directed the Investigation Officer to collect the forensic lab report of CCTV footage.

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4. Considering the submissions of all learned counsel's, call the report from Additional Chief Secretary Home about the availability of the forensic lab in Maharashtra and work load thereon, and the average time taken by the each laboratory to dispose of the application issued by them, by next date.
5. In the report, it also be called whether state government is going to establish more forensic lab in Maharashtra considering the pendency of Criminal Cases.
6. Parties to act on the authenticated copy of this order.
7. Stand over 28th April, 2026.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)