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

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO. 3351 OF 2025

Vinod @ Tom Popat More

... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

... Respondent

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Mr.Vishal V. Rankhambe a/w Ms.Aparna V. Rankhame, Mr.Chaitanya M. Bagul and Mr.Afsar Ansari, for the Applicant.
Mr.B.B. Kulkarni, APP for Respondent-State.
Ms.Aruna Pai, for the Intervenor.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 9th FEBRUARY 2026

P.C.:

1. Heard learned counsel for the Applicant, learned APP for the Respondent-State and learned counsel for the Intervenor.

2. The learned counsel for the Applicant submit that, the Applicant is behind the bar more than 5 years. Yet trial is not concluded, though matter is time bound by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

3. The learned counsel for the Intervenor submit that the

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Complainant's evidence is started.

4. Considering the submission of learned counsel for the Applicant, the Registry is directed to call report of the concerned Judge why is trial not concluded when the Applicant is behind bars for more than 5 years and it is time bound by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.
5. Registrar Judicial to call report from the concerned Judge before next date.
6. Stand over to 23rd February 2026.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)