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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO.171 OF 2026

Sameer Popat Thokle

...Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra & Anr.

...Respondents

Mr. Onkar Chaudhari i/b. Mr. Shailesh Kharat, for the Applicant.

Ms. Sangeeta D. Shinde, APP, for Respondent No.1-State.

Mr. Ravi Shankar Dwivedi appointed for Respondent No.2.

CORAM: ABHAY J. MANTRI, J.

DATED : 13th MARCH 2026

PC:-

1. The learned APP submitted that the Complainant is present in Court and she requests to engage an Advocate from the Legal Aid Panel to represent her.

2. As per her request, Mr. Ravin Shankar Dwivedi, learned Advocate, present in the Court, is requested to appear on behalf of the complainant. He accepts the same. Hence, he is appointed to represent the Respondent No.2. Accordingly, this order is to be communicated to the High Court Legal Services Authority, Mumbai.

3. The learned Advocate for the Applicant undertakes to serve a copy of the Application to the learned Advocate for Respondent No.2. He also seeks two weeks' time to argue the matter.

4. Considering his request, by way of last chance, two weeks' time is granted. It is made clear that no further time will be granted.

5. Stand over to 27th March 2026.

[ABHAY J. MANTRI, J.]