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

INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 169 OF 2026

IN

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 70 OF 2026

SATYAJIT RAMCHANDRA DAS

....APPLICANT

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA

....RESPONDENT

Mr. Shubham S. Sane h/f Mr. Priyal G. Sarda, Advocate for Appellant.

Ms. Gauri Rao, APP for the Respondent-State.

Mr. Amit Munde, SPP a/w Mr. Vaibhav Bairagi, Ms. Jai Vohra, Advocate for Respondent CBI ACB (Pune).

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 06th MARCH 2026

P.C. :

1. This is an application for suspension of sentence and bail.
2. The applicant has been convicted for offence punishable under Section 420 read with section 120-B of the Indian Penal Code (for short "the IPC") and Section 13(1)(d) read with section 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (for short "the PC Act"). For the offence punishable under Section 420 read with Section 120-B of the IPC, the applicant is sentenced to suffer rigorous imprisonment for three years and to pay fine of Rs.50,000/-, in default of payment of fine, the applicant is to suffer rigorous imprisonment for six months. For the offence punishable under section 13(1)(d) read with section 13(2) of the PC Act, the applicant is sentenced to suffer rigorous imprisonment for three years and to pay fine of Rs.1,00,000/-, in default of payment of fine, the applicant is to suffer rigorous imprisonment for one year. Both the sentences to run

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concurrently.

3. It is the contention of learned counsel for the applicant that the trial Court has granted bail and suspended his sentence during the appeal period. During the trial, the applicant was on bail. Hence, requested to allow the application.

4. The learned APP for respondent-State strongly objected to allow the application.

5. I have heard both learned counsel.

6. The maximum sentence imposed on the applicant is of three years. The trial Court has granted bail to the applicant and suspended his sentence during the appeal period. During the trial, the applicant was on bail. It may take time to dispose of the appeal.

7. In view of above, the applicant's sentence is suspended and he is enlarged on bail, pending the hearing and final disposal of the appeal, on the following terms and conditions.

O R D E R

(i) The applicant, be enlarged on bail on furnishing PR bond in the sum of Rs.25,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.

(ii) The bail bonds to be furnished before Trial Court.

Interim Application is disposed of.

8. All concerned to act on the authenticated copy of this order.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)