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

**INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 1465 OF 2026
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 399 OF 2026**

Deepak Kumar Ram Babu ...Applicant

VERSUS

Central Bureau Of Investigation And Anr ...Respondents

Mr.Subodh Desai, Senior Advocate i/b Mr.Kartik Garg, for the Appellant/Applicant.

Mr.Amit Munde, Additional PP for Respondent-State.

Mr.Sunil D. Gonsalves a/w Mr.Abhijeet S. Sarnobat, for the Respondent-CBI.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 7th MAY 2026

P.C. :

1. This is an application for suspension of sentence and for bail.

2. Heard learned counsel for the Applicant and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor.

3. The Applicant has been convicted for the offences punishable under Sections 7, 13(2) read with Section 13(1)(d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. The maximum sentence imposed on the Applicant is rigorous imprisonment for six months and fine of Rs.2,000/- in default of payment of fine simple imprisonment for two months. The learned Special

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Court has suspended the sentence during the appeal period and has granted interim bail to the Applicant.

4. During the trial the Applicant was on bail. The Applicant has deposited the fine amount. It may take time to dispose of the Appeal. Hence, requested to allow the Application.

5. The learned APP strongly objected to allow the Application on the ground that if the Applicant released on bail, he may abscond. Hence, requested to reject the Application.

6. Considering the submission of both learned counsel as well as sentence imposed on the Applicant is short term sentence. During trial Applicant was on bail. He has not misused the liberty. Considering these facts, the sentence is suspended till final disposal of the Appeal.

7. The Application is disposed of in the following terms.

ORDER

(i) The substantive sentence of imprisonment awarded to the applicant is hereby suspended pending disposal of the appeal, subject to the applicant furnishing a PR bond in the sum of Rs.15,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.

(ii) The bail bonds to be furnished before the learned Additional Sessions Judge.

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(iii) The Criminal Application is disposed of.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)