



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH : NAGPUR

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO.526/2025

(Pankaj @ Golu @ Moda S/o Murli Yadav Vs. The State of Maharashtra and another)

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Mr. R.M. Daga, Advocate for the Appellant.
Mr. Ujjawal R. Phasate, A.P.P. for the Respondent No.1/State.
Mr. A.R. Fule, Advocate for the Respondent No.2/Victim.

CORAM: NEERAJ P. DHOTE, J.
DATED: 16.2.2026.

Heard the learned Advocate for the Appellants, the learned A.P.P. for the State and the learned Advocate for the Respondent No.2/Victim. With their assistance perused the papers.

2. This is an Appeal under Section 14-A of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (for short "SCST Act") since the application of the Appellant came to be rejected by the learned trial Court on 04.10.2025 passed below Exh.69 in Special (Atrocity) Case No.153/2024.

3. It is submitted by the learned Advocate for the Appellant that initially the bail application of the Appellant was rejected by the learned trial Court and against that, he had preferred an Appeal No.69/2025 before this Court which came to be disposed of as withdrawn by order dated 25.03.2025. He submits that the Appellant was arrested on 25.06.2024 and for a period of almost one (1) year and eight (8) months he is behind bars. He submits that, the period 11 months has passed after the Appeal was withdrawn by the Appellant. He submits that, the prosecution has cited 45 witnesses in

the charge sheet and there is no progress in the trial and, therefore, the Appeal be allowed.

4. It is submitted by the learned A.P.P. and the learned Advocate for the Respondent No.2/Victim that, the said Appeal was withdrawn as this Court had shown disinclination to grant the bail. They submit that, the co-accused have filed Applications for discharge before the trial Court and the same are under consideration. They submit that considering the nature of offence the Appeal be rejected.

5. The Appellant is chargesheeted for the offence punishable under Sections 302, 120-B and 212 of the Indian Penal Code and Section 3(2)(v) of the SCST Act. Undisputedly, the said order of this Court dated 25.03.2025 shows that, this Court had shown disinclination to grant the bail and, therefore, the Appeal was withdrawn. No ground exists for reconsideration in this Appeal. Hence, the following order.

ORDER

The Appeal is dismissed.

(NEERAJ P DHOTE, J.)