



ITEM NO.32

COURT NO.7

SECTION II-A

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Cr1.) No(s). 4024/2020

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 29-08-2019 in CRLAP No. 732/2019 passed by the High Court Of Judicature At Bombay)

PRASHANT PRAKASH GONDHALI

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 79282/2020 - APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM FILING ORIGINAL VAKALATNAMA/OTHER DOCUMENT IA No. 79284/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT IA No. 79281/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT IA No. 79283/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 18-07-2022 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE INDIRA BANERJEE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE V. RAMASUBRAMANIAN

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Mr. Sachin Patil, AOR
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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Mr. Rahul Chitnis, learned counsel for the State of Maharashtra opposes the application vehemently.

However, considering the fact that the maximum punishment

imposed upon the petitioner is Rigorous Imprisonment for seven years and also considering the fact that the petitioner has been in actual custody for a period of two years and five months, we deem it fit to order the release of the petitioner on interim bail. By an order dated 15.07.2022 in SLP (Crl.) Nos. 5075-5076 of 2020, a co-accused was also granted bail in similar circumstances. The petitioner shall be released on interim bail, subject to terms and conditions to be imposed by the concerned Trial court.

The special leave petitions is, accordingly, disposed of.

Pending applications, if any, shall stand disposed of.

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