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

## CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION (STAMP) NO.24112 OF 2024

Sameer Dhyandev Wankhede

... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

...Respondent

Mr. Rajiv Chavan, Senior Advocate i/b Ms. Sana Raees Khan for the Petitioner.

Ms. S. S. Kaushik, A.P.P for the Respondent-State.

ACP – Mr. H. M. Sawant, from Goregaon Division, is present.

CORAM: REVATI MOHITE DERE &

DR. NEELA GOKHALE, JJ.

DATE: 14th JANUARY 2025

*P.C.* :

1. By this petition, the petitioner seeks to know the steps taken in the FIR registered at the behest of the petitioner which was registered vide C.R. No.864 of 2022 with Goregaon Police Station, Mumbai. A direction is also sought to the investigating agency to add Sections 3(1)(p)(q)(r) of the Scheduled Castes and Schedules Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 ('SCST Act'), as against the persons named in the FIR. The petitioner has further sought a direction to

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the respondent-police to submit the steps taken by the investigating agency pursuant to the FIR registered at the behest of the petitioner.

- 2. On 12<sup>th</sup> December 2024, Mr. Saste, learned Additional Public Prosecutor had informed us, that Sections 3(1)(p), 3(1)(q) and 3 (1)(r) of the SCST Act were added to C.R. No.864 of 2022 registered with the Goregaon Police Station, Mumbai. Learned Addl.P.P. had sought time to submit a status report of the investigation carried out.
- 3. Today, learned APP on instructions, states that the police after conducting an investigation have taken a decision to file a 'C' Summary Report before the concerned Court.
- 4. In view of the aforesaid statement made by the learned APP, on instructions, nothing survives for consideration in the present petition. The same is disposed of accordingly.

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Needless to state that it is now open for the petitioner to take appropriate steps before the appropriate forum, in accordance with law. Needless to also state that we have not gone into the merits of the petitioner's complaint nor the investigation carried out by the police and as such all contentions of all parties are kept open.

DR. NEELA GOKHALE, J.

REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.

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