

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

**CRI.WP.ASDB-LD-VC NO.189 OF 2020**

Veron Stanislaus Gonsalves & Anr. .. Petitioners  
Versus  
State of Maharashtra & Ors. .. Respondents

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Mr.Mihir Desai, Senior Advocate i/by Ms.Devyani Kulkarni for the petitioner.

Mr.Deepak Thakare, Public Prosecutor a/w S.R. Shinde, APP for the respondent-State.

Mr.Anil Singh, Additional Solicitor General i/by Mr.Sandesh Patil for National Investigation Agency (NIA).

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**CORAM : R.D. DHANUKA  
V.G. BISHT, JJ.  
DATE : 28<sup>th</sup> JULY 2020  
(IN CHAMBER – VIDEO CONFERENCE)**

***P.C.:-***

. Learned Public Prosecutor, on instructions, states that in so far as the petitioner no.1 is concerned, COVID test has already been carried out and is found to be negative. Statement is accepted.

2. In so far as the petitioner no.2 is concerned, learned Public Prosecutor seeks time to take instructions whether COVID test is carried out or not and to make a statement before this Court on the next date. He further states that he will instruct the jail authority to permit the wife of the petitioner to have conversion with the petitioner through video-conferencing. Statement is accepted.

3. Jail authority shall be directed to permit the wife of the petitioner to have conversion with the petitioner through video-conferencing.

4. Place the matter High on Board on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020 to enable the Public Prosecutor to make a statement in so far as the petitioner no.2 is concerned.

5. This order will be digitally signed by the Private Secretary of this Court. Associate of this Court is permitted to forward the parties copy of this order by e-mail. All concerned to act on digitally signed copy of this order.

***V. G. BISHT, J.***

***R.D. DHANUKA, J.***