

**ORDER BELOW EXH-1 IN SESSIONS CASE NO. 8/2000**

In this case the charge-sheet has been filed in the year 1991. It was committed in the same year. The charge came to be framed on 11.06.2002 vide Ex.25. Subsequently, it was altered on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011 as per Ex.156. After lots of persuasion the prosecution opened the evidence and trial was fixed for 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Accordingly, the prosecution filed list citing 13 witnesses. However, only two witnesses could be examined in three days as the evidence of the informant continued for two days.

It is discussed with the learned prosecutor and the learned advocates for defence to get the case decided at the earliest since its 27 years old matter. The Court suggested them to have sustained efforts to get it completed before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. However, I do not get a positive response from the prosecution.

It is agreed that the witnesses will be divided into two groups. This first group would be consisting of the witnesses relating to incident, panchnamas and confession. There were some five investigation officers and they would form the second group. The prosecution informs that since the matter is very old and it is difficult to find out witness. Therefore, the program may be fixed in the last week of this month. Accepting the same the Court directs the prosecution to give list of its witnesses as agreed for issuing of summon.

In view of above I fix the trial from 29<sup>th</sup> January 2018 to 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2018. The prosecution would examine its maximum witnesses during this period. The second lot of witnesses will be examined from 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018 to 08<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

The prosecution and defence are directed to follow the schedule strictly.

Date : 04/01/2018.  
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( Sanjeev S. Sharma )  
Additional Sessions Judge,  
Sangamner.