



Order below Exh. 1 in S.C.C.NO.272/2022
(State of Maharashtra Vs. Prabhakar Shankar Bhatkar)
CNR NO. MHRG130005072022

- 01) This is a summons case instituted on police report for an offence punishable under section 65 (e) of The Maharashtra Prohibition Act, 1949. Present case is 4 years old.
- 02) Perused the record and proceedings. The alleged offence is committed on 13/09/2022. The chargesheet is filed on 29/09/2022. Plea of the accused is recorded on 27/01/2025. Thereafter, prosecution examined only 1 witness till today. Prosecution failed to secure the presence of witnesses to conduct the case. The case is not being conducted due to absence of witnesses. Present case is summary nature and is liable to be disposed of within 6 months from the date of filing of charge-sheet. The matter is pending since last 4 years. Besides, today, there is a 'Special Drive' in order to dispose off the such type of matters.
- 03) In these circumstances, in instant case, it will be just, legal and proper to invoke the powers conferred under section 258 of code of Criminal Procedure, 1973. Hence, I proceed to pass following order.

ORDER

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| 1) | The proceeding is stopped vide section 258 of the Code of |
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	Criminal Procedure, 1973.
2)	The accused is released as acquitted of the offence punishable under section 65 (e) of Maharashtra Prohibition Act, 1949 vide section 258 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.
3)	The Bail Bond of accused stands canceled.
4)	Seized Alcohol and other Muddemals be forwarded to the State Excise, Raigad-Alibag, in order to destroy as per rules after the appeal period is over.

Date. 10/03/2026

(S.K.Shaikh)
J.M.F.C. Shrivardhan.