

**Order Below Exh. 1 In Sum. Criminal Case No. 862/2022**  
**( Dipak Patil Vs. Maruti Narute)**  
**(CNR No.MHSN050023652022)**

The complainant is absent. The learned advocate for the complainant is present before the court. However, he failed to take appropriate steps to proceed with the matter. It is evident from the record that the plea of the accused was recorded on 06/06/2024. Thereafter, the matter was posted for evidence. Despite having sufficient opportunities, the complainant has failed to lead evidence. The conduct of the complainant clearly indicates that he has lost his interest in the present matter. The case is more than three years old. In view of the directions of the Hon'ble High Court, old matters are required to be disposed of expeditiously. Therefore, I am not inclined to keep the matter pending at the same stage for years together. Considering the circumstances and the above discussion, I come to the conclusion that the matter deserves to be dismissed for want of prosecution. In the result, I pass the following order:

**ORDER**

1. The complaint is hereby dismissed for want of prosecution.
2. The accused is hereby acquitted of the offence punishable under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881, vide Section 256(1) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.
3. Bail bonds, if any, stand cancelled.
4. Cash surety, if any, shall be refunded.

Islampur.  
Date: 10/03/2026

(Bhagwan M. Karlekar)  
Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Islampur.

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