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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 677 OF 2024**

Stella Rakesh Mehta And Anr. ...Applicants
Versus
The State Of Maharashtra And Anr. ...Respondents

**WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 4232 OF 2024
IN
CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 677 OF 2024**

Mr. Rahul Arote, for the Applicants.
Mr. Tanveer Khan, APP for the Respondent-State.

**CORAM: N. J. JAMADAR, J.
DATE : 02nd APRIL 2026**

P.C.:

1. Heard the learned counsel for the parties.
2. By an order dated 5th March 2026, this Court had clarified that if none appears for the Applicants, the Court would be constrained to dismiss the Criminal Application for want of prosecution.
3. None appears for the Applicants even today.
4. The Court finds that the Applicants have deposited a sum of Rs.15,00,000/- before the Trial Court on 20th July 2024. Thus, by way of indulgence, the Court considers it appropriate to issue notice to the Applicants.
5. Issue notice to the Applicants, returnable on 7th May 2026.

6. If none appears for the Applicants on the next date, the application will be disposed for want of prosecution, and the amount deposited by the Applicants shall also be directed to be dealt with in a manner the Court considers appropriate.
7. To be listed as 'High on Board'.

[N. J. JAMADAR, J.]