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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA
CRIMINAL REVISION APPLICATION NO.585 OF 2025 (F)

SULAKSHA SUNIL GOVEKAR

... APPLICANT

Versus

**VPK URBAN CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT SOC.
LTD. THR. ITS AUTH. REP. DIVAKAR
KRISHNA DHARGALKAR AND ANR**

... RESPONDENTS

Mr. Raviraj Chodankar, Advocate for the Applicant.

Mr. Jatin Ramaiya, Advocate for Respondent No.1.

Mr. S.G. Bhobe, Public Prosecutor for Respondent No.2.

CORAM:- VALMIKI MENEZES, J.

DATED :- 3rd July, 2025

P.C.:

1. In the Criminal Revision Application, the Applicant, in prayer clause 4 has sought suspension of the sentence imposed upon her vide judgment and order dated 16.02.2024 passed by the Judicial Magistrate First Class, Pernem in Criminal Case No. 28/OA/NIA/2018 convicting the Applicant for the offence under Section 138 of the NI Act. By this order, the Magistrate has imposed the sentence of simple imprisonment for a period of three months and to pay compensation of Rs.28,00,000/- to the Complainant within 30 days from the date of the order and in default to suffer simple imprisonment for a period of 30 days.

2. The appeal was lodged by the Applicant before the Sessions Court,

being Criminal Appeal No.80/2024, which was dismissed on 09.05.2025. It appears from the records that no condition was imposed upon the Applicant to deposit a part of the compensation amount during the pendency of the appeal, nor was sentence suspended of the Applicant whilst the appeal was pending. The Sessions Court, in its order of dismissal dated 09.05.2025, has directed the Applicant to surrender before the trial Court on 16.05.2025, which direction was also not complied with by the Applicant.

3. Considering all these facts, the sentence imposed on the Applicant by the Magistrate vide its order dated 16.02.2024 shall stand suspended on the Applicant depositing an amount of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs only) in the Registry of this Court by 11.07.2025. On deposit, the sentence shall stand suspended on the Applicant furnishing a PR bond of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only) with one surety in the like amount before the Judicial Magistrate First Class at Pernem. It is made clear that the PR bond would be executed only on deposit of the aforementioned amount.

4. List the matter on 14.07.2025.

5. Parties to act on an authenticated copy of this order.

VALMIKI MENEZES, J.