

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 693/2021
[Arising out of SLP(Cr1.)3610/2020)]

PARAS RAM VISHNOI

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

THE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL BUREAU OF
INVESTIGATION

Respondent(s)

O R D E R

Leave granted.

We have heard learned counsel for parties.

We have no doubt that the matter in issue is a serious one and the offence is also heinous. However, we are faced with a position where the appellant, amongst other accused, has been in custody for eight and a half years. The prosecution evidence is over and so as also the statement to be recorded of all the accused under Section 313 Cr.P.C. The appellant before us has already made a statement through the counsel that he does not propose to lead any defence evidence. Thus, insofar as the appellant before us is concerned, the case is ready for hearing. However, in view of the large number of accused in the case, that is not the position for all the accused as some of the accused seek to lead defence evidence.

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Reason: 

On consideration of the matter, we are of the view that pending the trial we cannot keep a person in custody for an

indefinite period of time and taking into consideration the period of custody and that the other accused are yet to lead defence evidence while the appellant has already stated he does not propose to lead any evidence, we are inclined to grant bail to the appellant on terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

The appeal accordingly stands disposed of.

.....J,
[SANJAY KISHAN KAUL]

.....J.
[HRISHIKESH ROY]

NEW DELHI;
JULY 27, 2021.

ITEM NO.9 Court 7 (Video Conferencing) SECTION II

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (CrI.) No(s). 3610/2020

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 20-07-2020 in SBCRMBA No. 10290/2019 passed by the High Court Of Judicature For Rajasthan At Jodhpur)

PARAS RAM VISHNOI

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Respondent(s)

Date : 27-07-2021 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KISHAN KAUL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HRISHIKESH ROY

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

Leave granted.

The appeal is disposed of in terms of the signed order.

Pending application, if any, stands disposed of.

[ASHA SUNDRIYAL]
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

[POONAM VAID]
COURT MASTER (NSH)

[Signed order is placed on the file]