

# Sanjay Dutt v. State through C.B.I. (1994)

Court: Supreme Court of India

Citation: (1994) 5 SCC 410

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## **Facts:**

Actor Sanjay Dutt was charged under TADA and Arms Act for possession of prohibited weapons during the 1993 Bombay blasts investigation.

## **Issues:**

Whether the accused could claim benefit of lesser Arms Act offence and whether Subsequent pardon applications affected bail.

## **Holding:**

The Court denied bail under TADA noting seriousness but later allowed framing under Arms Act as distinct. Ultimately convicted under Arms Act, acquitted of TADA counts.

## **Significance:**

Illustrates strict liability for illegal firearms and high-profile enforcement of national security laws.