



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY,
NAGPUR BENCH, AT NAGPUR.**

**CRIMINAL APPLICATION (APPA) NO. 574 OF 2026
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL STAMP NO. _____ OF 2026**

LAXMIKANT MULCHANDJI GEDAM

VS

STATE OF MAHARASHTRA

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram,
appearances, Court's orders of directions
and Registrar's orders

Court's or Judge's orders

Ms Naina P. Dhoke, counsel for applicant.
Ms H.S. Dhande, APP for respondent/State.

CORAM : Y. G. KHOBRADE, J.
DATED : 20-08-2026

1. Heard.
2. By the present application, the applicant/convict is seeking condonation of delay of 216 days caused in lodging the appeal, challenging the judgment and order dated 19/09/2025 passed in Special Case No. 290 of 2023 by the learned District Judge-3 and Additional Sessions Judge, Nagpur, thereby the appellant/accused held guilty for the offence punishable under Section 376(2)(j), 376(2)(f), 376(A) (B) and Section 506 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, and Section 4 and 6(n)(p) of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, and has been sentenced to suffer imprisonment for maximum period of 20 years, along with fine.
3. Considering the grounds set out in the application, the delay of 216 days caused in lodging the appeal is hereby condoned.

4. The office to register the appeal

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1. Heard.
2. **Admit.**
3. Call for record and proceedings.
4. Ms. H.S. Dhande, learned APP waives service of notice on behalf of non-applicant/State.

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1. On request, leave is granted to implead the victim as non-applicant No.2.
2. Issue notice to the non-applicant's returnable on 10/09/2026
3. Ms. H.S. Dhande, learned APP waives service of notice on behalf of non-applicant/State.
4. The Police Inspector, Kanhan Police Station, District Nagpur, shall ensure to serve the notice to non-applicant No.2/victim.

[JUDGE]

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