

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION NO.3941 OF 2019

Sachin Manohar Khambe ... Petitioner
Vs
The State of Maharashtra and Anr. ... Respondents

...
Mr. N. N. Gawankar i/by Manas Gawankar for the
Petitioner.
Mr. J.P.Yagnik, APP for the Respondent-State.

**CORAM : B.P.DHARMADHIKARI &
SANDEEP K. SHINDE JJ.**
DATE : OCTOBER 18, 2019

P.C. :

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and the
learned APP for the State.

2 Petitioner has completed more than 19 years of
actual imprisonment, I.e, without remission, is still waiting
for categorization in terms of 14 years rule.

3 The learned PP states that by communication
dated 14th October, 2019, he has received instructions that
the matter is pending with the Competent Authority. This
communication dated 14th October, 2019 is taken on record

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and marked Exhibit 'A'.

4 Communication shows that the State Government is seeking certain information from office of IG prisons. As that information is awaited, decision has not been taken.

5 It appears that similar information is also sought from the Superintendent, Kolhapur Central Prison, Kolhapur.

6 We, therefore, direct Superintendent, Kolhapur Central Prison, Kolhapur as also IG prison to furnish necessary information to the State Government within next three weeks. We direct the Competent Authority to take suitable decision on question of categorization after receipt of that information within further period of four weeks.

7 In the meanwhile, the Authorities to furnish upto date nominal role to the petitioner.

8 With these directions, we dispose of the writ petition.

(SANDEEP K. SHINDE, J.) (B.P.DHARMADHIKARI, J.)