

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

WRIT PETITION NO.1390 OF 2021

Mr. Rupesh Rajendra Pawar ..Petitioner
Versus
The State of Maharashtra & Ors. ..Respondents

Mr. Balwant V. Salunkhe, Advocate for the Petitioner.
Mr. Deepak Thakre, PP a/w Mr. S. R. Shinde, APP for the
Respondent - State.

**CORAM : S. S. SHINDE &
MANISH PITALE, JJ.
DATE : 16th MARCH, 2021**

P.C.

1. This petition is filed seeking direction to the respondent No.2 i.e. Divisional Commissioner of Pune to decide Externment Appeal filed by the petitioner within a stipulated period.

2. Learned APP has no objection for giving direction to the appellate authority to decide the said appeal within stipulated period.

3. In the light of the submission made by learned APP across the bar, we direct the respondent No.2 i.e. appellate authority to decide the pending appeal of the petitioner as expeditiously as possible, however, within two weeks from the receipt of a copy of this order.

4. Needless to observe that the concerned appellate authority shall adhere to the principles of natural justice and decide the pending appeal on its own merits.

5. We make it clear that we have not expressed any opinion on merits and it is for the appellate authority to decide the pending appeal on merits.

6. With the above observations, petition is disposed of.

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

[MANISH PITALE, J]

[S. S. SHINDE, J]