

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY**CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION****INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 3195 OF 2022****IN****CRIMINAL APPEAL (ST) NO. 15601 OF 2022**

Raju Kakdya Farle

... Applicant/Appellant

V/s.

The State Of Maharashtra

... Respondent

Mr. Hrishikesh Chavan Appointed Advocate for Applicant/Appellant.
Mr. Ajay Patil, APP for Respondent-State.

**CORAM : A.S. GADKARI AND
PRAKASH D. NAIK, JJ.**

DATE : 5th DECEMBER, 2022.

PC. :

1. This is an Application for condonation of delay of 13 years and 154 days in preferring present Appeal against conviction.
2. Mr. Chavan, learned Advocate appointed to represent Applicant submitted that, Applicant is behind bars since May 2008 and on the date of pronouncement of impugned Judgment and Order i.e. 12th February, 2009 for want of legal and financial assistance he could not prefer an Appeal within the period of limitation. That, Applicant thereafter sent a letter to High Court Legal Services Committee, Mumbai for appointment of an Advocate to represent him. That, thereafter he was appointed on 12th July, 2022 and thereafter he filed present Application alongwith substantive

Appeal. In this entire process, the aforestated delay has occurred.

4. In view of the above; for the reasons stated in Application and in the interest of justice, delay is condoned and Application is allowed in terms of prayer clause “a”.

[PRAKASH D. NAIK, J.]

[A.S. GADKARI, J.]