

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

957 CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO.471 OF 2023

**UJWALA ANIL SALI
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS**

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APP for Respondent – State : Mr. R. V. Dasalkar
Advocate for Respondent Nos.2 and 3 : Mr. Madhur A. Golegaonkar

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**CORAM : MANGESH S. PATIL AND
ABHAY S. WAGHWASE, JJ.**

DATED : 5 APRIL 2023

PER COURT :

Heard both the sides.

2. The petitioners are aggrieved by the fact that their request for renewal of the passports is not being considered and insistence is to have no objection certificate from the criminal court where criminal case is pending against them.

3. In view of the consistent view taken by the Supreme Court in the matter of *Vangala Kasturi Rangacharyulu Vs. Central Bureau of Investigation* in Criminal Appeal No.1342 of 2017 and even this Court in Writ Petition No.384 of 2019 (*Abbas Hatimbhai Kagalwala Vs. The State of Maharashtra and Anr.*), application for renewal of the passport cannot be rejected on the ground of pendency of the criminal case.

4. In view of the above, we allow the writ petitions and direct respondent no.3 to consider the request of the petitioners on its own merits, but shall not reject it only because of their failure to produce the certificates from the criminal court.

(ABHAY S. WAGHWASE, J.)

(MANGESH S. PATIL, J.)