

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD
CIVIL APPLICATION NO.7255 OF 2022
IN FAST/20904/2020**

THE EXE. ENGINEER LATUR MEDIUM PRO., LATUR AND
ANOTHER
VERSUS
NARAYAN RANBA SIRSAT (DIED) THR LRS SURYAKANT
AND ORS

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Mr. S. G. Bhalerao, Advocate for the Applicants.
Mr. S. N. Morampalle, AGP for Respondents-State.
Mr. N. D. Kendre, Advocate for Respondent Nos.1 and 3.

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**CORAM : S. G. CHAPALGAONKAR, J.
DATE : 14th JULY, 2023.**

PER COURT:-

1. By this application, the applicants seek condonation of delay of 1998 days caused in filing the appeal against the Award passed by the Reference Court.

2. Mr. Bhalerao, learned Advocate appearing for the applicants invites attention of this Court to the explanation tendered in paragraph nos.2 and 3 of the application and submits that the delay is occasioned on account of procedural aspect and administrative reasons. He submits that the applicants have not derived any disadvantage by making delay.

3. Mr. Kendre, learned Advocate appearing for the respondents submits that the reasons are stated in paragraph nos.2 and 3 cannot constitute sufficient cause.

4. Having considered the submissions advanced, it can be gathered that the applicants were required to move proposal

for filing the appeal and get various sanction. The delay appears to be procedural and unintentional one. Meanwhile, because of pandemic situation, process was stalled to certain extent. Considering the reasons, the case is made out to condone the delay. Hence, the following order:-

ORDER

- a. Civil Application is allowed.
 - b. Delay of 1998 days caused in filing the First Appeal is condoned.
 - c. The appeal be registered.
5. Civil Application is disposed of.

(S. G. CHAPALGAONKAR)
JUDGE