

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

INTERIM APPLICATION NO.100 OF 2024

IN

CRIMINAL APPEAL (ST) NO.498 OF 2024

Rakesh Harichandra Gavand

: Applicant

Vs.

State of Maharashtra & Anr.

: Respondents

Adv. Sandeep B. Satkar, for the Applicant.

Mrs. M. R. Tidke, APP for the State.

Adv. Sushan Mhatre, for the Respondent No.2.

CORAM : KISHORE C. SANT, J.

DATE : 4TH MARCH, 2024

PC. :

1. This Application is filed for condonation of delay of 154 days caused in filing the Criminal Appeal. Applicant is aggrieved by the judgment and order dated 22nd May, 2023 passed in Special Case (POCSO) No.219 of 2020. Since there is no one to handover the documents to the Advocate some time is taken into making the arrangement.

2. This Appeal is by the accused. He is not to gain anything by delay. This Court finds that a case is made out to condone the delay.

3. Delay of 154 days is therefore condoned.
4. Application is allowed.

(KISHORE C. SANT, J.)

(Corrected pursuant to speaking to minutes of order dt. 7th March, 2024.)