

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

WRIT PETITION NO.5437 OF 2017

Abdul Karim Husain Khidir

.. Petitioner

vs.

State of Maharashtra

.. Respondent

Mr. M. Saeed Kadu for the Petitioner.

Ms. Geeta Naval Sharma APP for the Respondent-State.

**CORAM: A. S. GADKARI AND
SHYAM C. CHANDAK, JJ.**

DATE : 26th FEBRUARY 2024

P. C.:-

1) Mr. Kadu, learned Advocate for the Petitioner on instructions submitted that, till date the R.C.C.No.6 of 2005 pending on the file of learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, Khed, District Ratnagiri arising out of C.R.No.118 of 1996 registered with Khed Police Station, District Ratnagiri wherein the Petitioner is an accused, is pending for final adjudication for last more than 18 years.

2) We therefore direct the Judicial Magistrate First Class, Khed, District Ratnagiri seized of R.C.C.No.6 of 2005 to dispose off said case within a period of four months from the date of receipt of present Order.

3) It is needless to mention that if any of the accused and/or

prosecution witnesses fail to co-operate with the learned Magistrate in expeditious disposal of said R.C.C.No.6 of 2005, the learned Magistrate is empowered to invoke necessary provisions from the Code of Criminal Procedure.

4) Petition is disposed off in the aforesaid terms.

(SHYAM C. CHANDAK,J.)

(A. S. GADKARI, J.)