

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

**CRIMINAL INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 3147 OF 2025
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 1086 OF 2015**

Supriya Subhash Bagawade Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and Anr. Respondents

Mr. Sachin M. Bhavar i/b Mr. Raju Suryawanshi, Advocate for the Applicant.

Mr. N. B. Patil, A.P.P., for the Respondent – State.

Mr. Vijay Killedar a/w Ms. Rohinee Yadav and Mr. Shivraj Jagdale, Advocate for Respondent No.2 – UOI.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 10th OCTOBER, 2025.

P.C. :

1. Heard learned counsel for the Applicant, learned APP for the Respondent – State and learned counsel for Respondent No.2.

2. By this application, the Applicant is seeking issuance of passport.

2. It is contention of learned counsel for the Applicant that the Applicant has been convicted under the provisions of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (for short, “PC Act”). The Applicant has filed application before the Respondent No.2 – Regional Passport Office

(for short, “Passport Authority”) on 8th August, 2025 for issuance of passport. The Respondent No.2 asked the Applicant to obtain the ‘NOC’ of this Court as criminal case is pending against him. Hence, requested to allow the application.

3. It is contention of learned counsel for the Respondent No.2- Passport Authority that the Applicant is convicted and his Appeal is pending before this Court. Hence, as per the provisions of the Passport Act, “NOC” of this Court is required.

4. I have heard both learned counsel.

5. The Applicant has been convicted under the provisions of PC Act. He has preferred appeal and his sentence is suspended. Considering these facts, I pass following order:

ORDER

- i. The Application is allowed.
- ii. The Applicant shall file fresh application before the Passport Authority for issuance of passport.
- iii. The Respondent No.2 – Passport Authority shall consider about the issuance of passport for five years as per the provisions of the Passport Act.
- iv. The interim application stands disposed off.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)