

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

Criminal Writ Petition No. 443 of 2025

Ms Pooja Pandey

... Petitioner

versus

The State of Maharashtra and Anr.

... Respondents

Mr Irvin D'souza i/b Mr Aniket Kanawade, for the Petitioner.

Dr Ashwini A Takalkar, APP, for the Respondent / State.

Coram: R.N. Laddha, J.

Date: 1 April 2025

P.C.:

. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that respondent No.2 has not processed his passport renewal application for the last two years. The applicant submitted the renewal request in February 2023, but no decision has been made. The learned counsel for the petitioner now seeks only a direction for respondent No.2 to expedite the decision on the renewal application.

2. Considering the application has been pending for two years, the Authority is directed to expeditiously decide on the renewal request based on its own merits and in accordance with the law.

3. The writ petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(R.N. Laddha, J.)