

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

**INTERIM APPLICATION NO.4070 OF 2024
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL (ST) NO.21140 OF 2024**

Vinod Shobha Banvasi Applicant

versus

The State of Maharashtra & Anr. Respondents

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- Mr. Harshad Sathe, Advocate for Applicant.
- Ms. Ranjana D. Humane, Gavand, APP for the State/Respondent.

**CORAM : SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.
DATE : 06th AUGUST, 2025**

P.C. :

1. This is an application for condonation of delay of 71 days in filing Appeal against the Judgment and Order dated 24/04/2024 passed by the learned Special Judge under POCSO Act, Greater Mumbai, in Special Case No.1166/2022.

2. Learned counsel for the Applicant submitted that he is in custody since 08/08/2022. He is from poor financial background. He is only 22 years of age. There is no male

member in his family who could have looked after his interest. Therefore, this Appeal was filed with the help of Legal Services Authority of this Court.

3. Learned APP does not have serious objection for condonation of delay.
4. Considering these submissions and in the interest of justice, the delay of 71 days in filing the Appeal is condoned.
5. The Appeal be processed further.
6. The Application is disposed of.

(SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.)