

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

**INTERIM APPLICATION NO.4357 OF 2024
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL (ST) NO.21844 OF 2024**

Manohar Ramchandra Patil Applicant

versus

The State of Maharashtra & Anr. Respondents

.....

- Ms. Sneha Mishra i/b. Mr. Prem Kumar Pandey, Advocate for Applicant.
- Mr. Pankaj P. Devkar, APP for the State/Respondent.

**CORAM : SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.
DATE : 11th AUGUST, 2025**

P.C. :

1. This is an application for condonation of delay of 171 days in filing Appeal against the Judgment and Order dated 23/02/2024 passed by the learned Special Judge, Raigad, in Special Case No.22/2022.

2. Learned counsel for the Applicant submitted that he is from a poor financial background. He could not arrange for the services of a private Advocate. Therefore, he has filed his Appeal

with the help of Legal Services Authority of this Court. Initially, the matter was assigned to one Advocate, but he had returned the brief and then another Advocate from the panel was appointed. This has added to the delay in filing the Appeal.

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 171 days in filing the Appeal is condoned.
5. The Appeal be processed further.
6. The Application is disposed of.

(SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.)