

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

**INTERIM APPLICATION NO.4418 OF 2024
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL (ST) NO.22061 OF 2024**

Pawan Pandurang Patankar Applicant

versus

The State of Maharashtra & Anr. Respondents

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- Mr. Limbraj M. Pawar, Advocate for Applicant.
- Ms. Sangita D. Shinde, APP for the State/Respondent.

**CORAM : SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.
DATE : 13th AUGUST, 2025**

P.C. :

1. Leave to amend to mask the identity of the Respondent No.2 in this application as well as in the connected Appeal and other applications. Amendment to be carried out forthwith.

2. Learned APP on instructions of the Investigating Officer submitted that the Respondent No.2 is served.

3. This is an application for condonation of delay of 61

days in filing Appeal against the Judgment and Order dated 06/05/2024 passed by the learned Special Judge, Greater Bombay, in Special Case No.1375/2021.

4. Learned counsel for the Applicant submitted that he was continuously in custody from September 2021. He is from poor financial background. Therefore, he could not file this Appeal immediately. Hence there is delay in filing the Appeal.
5. Learned APP does not have serious objection for condonation of delay.
6. Considering these submissions and in the interest of justice, the delay of 61 days in filing the Appeal is condoned.
7. The Appeal be processed further.
8. The Application is disposed of.

(SARANG V. KOTWAL, J.)