

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 812 OF 2025

Afzal Haji Khan @ Afzal Pani and another ... Petitioners

V/s.

State of Maharashtra and another ... Respondents

WITH

CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 968 OF 2025

Riyaz Daud Kashmiri ... Petitioner

V/s.

State of Maharashtra and another ... Respondents

Mr. Tasammul Khan i/b. Mr. Mukesh K. Badsiwai for Petitioners in both the Petitions.

Mr. Ajay S. Patil, APP for Respondent-State.

Mr. Ajinath Funde, PSI, Bandra Police Station, Mumbai.

**CORAM : A. S. GADKARI AND
RAJESH S. PATIL, JJ.**

DATE : 25th JULY 2025

PC.:-

1) The crime in question is dated 9th May 2011, under Sections 3 and 25 of the Indian Arms Act. The record indicates that, after filing of charge-sheet, the trial Court has taken cognizance of the case and the said case is numbered as C.C. No.151/EW/2015. In the present case, charge is framed on 1st July 2022.

2) In view of the fact that, for last more than 10 years, the trial is pending on the file of the trial Court, we direct the learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, 12th Court, Bandra, Mumbai, to expedite the hearing of C.C. No.151/EW/2015 and conclude it on or before 31st December 2025, without seeking extension in that behalf.

3) It is needless to mention that in the event, the learned Magistrate comes to the conclusion that, either of the parties herein are protracting the said case, the learned Judge is at liberty to invoke necessary provisions from the Cr.PC./B.N.S.S. for the same.

4) Petitions are disposed of with aforesaid directions.

(RAJESH S. PATIL, J.)

(A.S. GADKARI, J.)