



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 58 OF 2025
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 2223 OF 2025
IN
CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 58 OF 2025

Sunil Laxman Ghode

..Petitioner/Applicant

Vs.

The State Of Maharashtra & Ors.

..Respondents

Mr. Karthik Rajasekhar for the Petitioner/Applicant through Legal Aid.
Smt. Prajakta P. Shinde, APP for Respondent No.1-State.
Smt. Suvarna J. Chorge, Jailor Gr.-II, Nashik Jail, Nashik.

CORAM : A. S. GADKARI AND
RAJESH S. PATIL, JJ.
DATE : 30th JUNE, 2025.

OPERATIVE ORDER:-

1. For the reasons stated in the Judgment dictated today, the Petitioner is directed to be placed in the Category of 3(b) of the Guidelines for premature release under the “14 Year Rule” of prisoners serving life sentence, dated 15th March 2010.
2. As per the record, the Petitioner as of today has already undergone twenty-three years, four months and nine days imprisonment including remissions and in view of placing him in Category 3(b), he is required to be released from jail forthwith.
3. The Petitioner, therefore, be released from the jail immediately

on production of the authenticated copy of the operative part of this Judgment, if not required in any other case/crime.

4. All the concerned to act on an authenticated copy of the operative part of the Judgment.

(RAJESH S. PATIL, J.)

(A.S. GADKARI, J.)