

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

**INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 3061 OF 2025  
IN  
CRIMINAL APPEAL (ST) NO. 16740 OF 2025**

Muktar Yusuf Shaikh

...Applicant

V/s.

The State of Maharashtra and Anr.

...Respondents

Mr. Viqar Rajguru, a/w Mr. Azeem Khan, Advocate for the Applicant.

Mr. Holaube Patil, APP for the Respondent/State.

**CORAM : N.R. BORKAR, J.  
DATE : 20.08.2025.**

**P.C. :**

1. This is an application for condonation of delay in filing appeal against the judgment and order dated 14.05.2025 passed by the Special Court in Special Case No. 144 of 2020, by which the learned Special Court has convicted the applicant for the offence punishable under Section 6 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act and sentenced him to suffer 20 years of imprisonment.

2. I have heard the learned counsel for the applicant and learned APP for the respondent-State.

3. For the reasons stated in the application, the delay of 24 days in filing the appeal is condoned. The application is disposed of.

**[N.R.BORKAR, J.]**