



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH AT NAGPUR

CRIMINAL APPLICATION (APPA) NO. 663 OF 2025

IN

CRIMINAL APPEAL ST. NO. 6623 OF 2025

(Madhukar Hari Rangari

Vs.

The State of Maharashtra, Thr. PSO PS Lakhandur, District Bhandara.)

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram, Appearances, Court's orders or directions and Registrar's orders	Court's or Judge's orders
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Mr. A.H. Bamode, Advocate for the Applicant/Appellant.
Mr. V.A. Thakare, APP for the Respondent/State.

CORAM: URMILA JOSHI-PHALKE, J.

DATED : 25th AUGUST, 2025

1. The Application is for condonation of delay.

2. By this Appeal, the Appellant has challenged the judgment and order passed by the Special Judge Bhandara dated 13.03.2025 convicting the present Appellant by sentencing him rigorous imprisonment for 20 years and fine of Rs.1,000/- for the offence punishable under Section 6 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012, rigorous imprisonment for 5 years and fine of Rs.1,000/- for the offence punishable under Section 10 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012, rigorous imprisonment for six months for the offence punishable under Sections 506 and 342 of IPC and rigorous imprisonment for three months under Section 323 of IPC.

3. Heard learned Counsel for the Appellant, who submitted that the Appellant is behind bar and unable to contact his family members in order to engage the Counsel to prefer an Appeal, and therefore, the delay of 64 days is caused and if the delay is not condoned the statutory right of the present Appellant to prefer an Appeal would affect.

4. Learned APP, strongly opposed the said Application and submitted that there is no reasonable ground to condone the delay, and therefore, the Application for condonation of delay deserves to be rejected.

5. Considering the reasons mentioned in the Application and if the delay is not condoned the statutory right of the present Appellant to prefer an Appeal will be affected. In view of that, the delay which is caused in preferring the Appeal against conviction, is hereby condoned. The delay Application is **disposed** of.

6. The Appeal be registered.

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1. Heard.

2. **Admit.**

3. Call R & P.

4. Leave is granted to the present Appellant to strikeout the name of the Victim which is mentioned by him inadvertently in the Appeal memo.

5. Learned APP, informed that the Victim is already intimated but none appears for the Victim.

6. Mr. Yash Bage, learned Counsel, is hereby appointed to represent the Victim.

7. Learned Counsel for the Appellant, shall furnish the copy of the Appeal and other relevant documents to the learned appointed Counsel.

8. Stand over **after two weeks**.

(URMILA JOSHI-PHALKE, J.)