

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

917 CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 412 OF 2026

MIRZA ATHAR BAIG MIRZA ZAFARULLAH BAIG
VERSUS
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

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Mr. Pradeep Kulkarni, Advocate holding for Mr. M.D.
Narwadkar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. N.T. Bhagat, Advocate for respondent No.1.
Mrs. M.N. Ghanekar, A.P.P. for respondent-State.

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**CORAM : SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE AND
ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, JJ.**

DATED : 17 APRIL 2026.

Per Court :

1. Heard.
2. Learned APP, on instructions, makes a statement that in respect of application dated 08.09.2025 filed by the petitioner with concerned District Collector, Nanded, a report from the Commissioner of Police, Nanded is required and thereafter the application can be decided on its own merit. She further added that at least 10 weeks are required for such process.
3. However, according to learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner is sports person and needs certain time for practice after issuance of Arms Licence for purchase of two numbers of non-prohibited bore weapons. Therefore, we deem it appropriate to direct respondent No.3 to complete the entire

process for issuance of Arms Licence to the petitioner as claimed, as early as possible and preferably within a period of five weeks from the date of this order.

4. With these directions, we dispose of the present criminal writ petition. Failure to comply the directions will be treated as aggravated contempt of the order of this Court.

(ABASAHEB D. SHINDE)
JUDGE

(SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE)
JUDGE