IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA
CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO.445 OF 2026

OBINERI SOPURU ISALAH
ALIAS PEDRU PRESENTLY
LODGED AT THE DETENTION CENTRE …PETITIONER

Versus.

UNION OF INDIA THR THE
MINISTRY OF HOME
AFFAIRS AND 2 ORS. ... RESPONDENTS

Mr. Prasad Kholkar, Advocate for the Petitioner.
Mr. Pravin Faldessai, Deputy Solicitor General of India for Respondent No.1.
Mr. S. Karpe, Additional Public Prosecutor for Respondent Nos.2 and 3.

CORAM: ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.
DATED : 28th October, 2026.

P.C.:-

1. Heard, Mr. Prasad Kholkar, learned Advocate for the Petitioner, Mr. Pravin Faldessai, learned Deputy Solicitor General of India for Respondent No.1 and Mr. S. Karpe, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for Respondent Nos.2 and 3.

2. By this petition, the Petitioner has sought the following substantive

reliefs in terms of prayer clauses A (i),(ii) and B, which are reproduced verbatim:-

> *A. Issue a writ of Mandamus and/or any other appropriate writ, order or direction directing Respondent No.3, Foreigners Regional Registration Office, Panjim, Goa, to:*
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> *i. Consider and decide the pending visa application of the Petitioner within such time as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper;*
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> *ii. Consider granting an appropriate category of visa, including an "X"/Miscellaneous category visa, or any other lawful permission for which the Petitioner may be eligible, so as to ensure that his stay in India is duly authorised during the pendency of the criminal proceeding;*
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> *B. Direct the Respondents to release the Petitioner from the Detention Centre, Mapusa-Goa, subject to such conditions as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper, pending disposal of the criminal case against the Petitioner"*

3. Mr P. Kholkar, learned Advocate for the Petitioner, tenders a photostat copy of e-Visa dated 14.10.2026, same is taken on record and marked with '**X**' for identification.

4. Mr P. Kholkar, learned Advocate for the Petitioner, relying on the e-Visa dated 14.10.2026 (**X**), submits that the reliefs sought in this petition are infructuous and requests disposal of this Petition.

5. Mr. S. Karpe, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the Respondent Nos. 2 and 3, does not oppose the request made by Mr. P. Kholkar, learned Advocate for the Petitioner, for disposal of this Petition.

6. In view of the statement made by the Mr. P. Kholkar, learned Advocate for the Petitioner, this Criminal Writ Petition No.445 of 2026 is dismissed as infructuous.

ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.

Signed by: MEENA VISHAL BHOIR
Designation: Private Secretary
Date: 28/10/2026 14:28:11