

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

INTERIM APPLICATION NO.44 OF 2025

The State Of Maharashtra	...Petitioner
Versus	
Gourav Sushil Ranbhise And Ors	...Respondents

Mr. A. A. Naik, APP for State-Respondents.

**CORAM : R. G. AVACHAT AND
AJIT B. KADETHANKAR, JJ.**

DATE : 27th JANUARY 2026.

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1. This is an application for condonation of delay in preferring an appeal against acquittal. We have perused the judgment sought to be challenged in the proposed appeal. It appears that the victim and the respondent were in a relationship, though the victim appears to have been 16 years of age at the relevant time.
2. The delay is stated to have occurred on account of the time spent in obtaining permission to prefer the appeal.
3. In our considered view, there cannot be separate parameters for State agencies in not preferring an appeal within the prescribed time frame. We are not in agreement with the reasons assigned in the

application. We, therefore, find no reason even to issue notice in the application for condonation of delay.

4. The interim application stands dismissed.

APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL(STATE)(ST) NO. 24404 OF 2024

1. In view of the above, the Application For Leave To Appeal(State)(St) No. 24404 Of 2024 stands also dismissed.

(AJIT B. KADETHANKAR, J.)

(R. G. AVACHAT, J.)