

S.S.Kilaje

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 4304 OF 2024
IN
CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 705 OF 2017**

Ashiq A. Merchant

... Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra

... Respondent

Mr. Gaurav Lele a/w. Mr. Omkar Kulkarni i/b. Mr. Iqbal Shikah Dawood,
Advocates for the Applicant.

Smt. Ranjana D. Humane, APP for the Respondent-State.

Mr. J.S.Kini a/w. Mr. Arm J. Kini, Ms. Sapna Krishnappa i/b. Mr. Suresh
Dubey, Advocates for Respondent Nos. 2 to 4.

Mr. Dinesh Palav, PSI – Marin Drive Police Station, present.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 17th MARCH, 2026.

P.C. :

1. By this application, the Petitioner is seeking restoration of the
petition dismissed for non-prosecution.

2. Considering the submission of both the learned counsel and
reasons mentioned in the application, I pass following order:

ORDER

- i. Application is allowed and disposed of.
- ii. Writ Petition is restored to file, subject to payment of cost
of Rs.10,000/- payable to Advocate's Association of

S.S.Kilaje

Western India (“AAWI”).

3. List the Petition for hearing on **15th April, 2026**.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)