

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 338 OF 2026

Shaun Stany Noronha and Anr. ..Petitioners

Versus

Union of India and Anr. ...Respondents

Mr. Aabad Ponda, Sr. Advocate, a/w Mr. Karma Vivan i/by
Bhmesh Bellam, for the Petitioners.

Ms. Megha Bajoriya, for the Respondent No. 1 – UOI.

Mr. D. J. Haldankar, APP for the Respondent – State.

CORAM: N. J. JAMADAR, J.

DATE : 29th JANUARY 2026

P.C.:

1. Heard the learned Counsel for the parties.
2. Issue notice to respondents, returnable on 30th January, 2026 on supplementary board.
3. Mr. Haldankar, the learned APP waives notice for the Respondent No. 2.
4. Ms. Bajoriya, the learned Counsel waives notice for Respondent No. 1 - UOI.
5. The learned Counsel for Respondent No. 1 submits that, an affidavit-in-reply on behalf of the Respondent No. 1 is ready and can be filed during the course of the day.
6. Let the affidavit-in-reply be filed on behalf of the Respondent No. 1 and it's copy be served on the petitioners.

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