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

**INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 1230 OF 2026
IN
WRIT PETITION NO. 1859 OF 2022**

Madhavan Vijayan Pillai And OrsApplicant
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And AnrRespondents

WITH
**INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 556 OF 2026
IN
WRIT PETITION NO. 1859 OF 2022**

Sunita SharmaApplicant
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And AnrRespondents

Mr. Kartik Garg a/w Mr. Aashka Shell, Advocate for the Applicant.
Ms. K. T. Hiwrale, APP for Respondent No. 1-State.
Ms. Supriya Kak, Advocate for Respondent No. 2.
Ms. Sonam Pandey i/b Mr. Jai Daryani, Advocate for Respondent No. 2 in
WP No. 1859/2022.

CORAM : SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.

DATE : 22nd APRIL 2026

P.C. :

1. Not on board, taken on board Interim Application No. 556 of 2026.
2. By these two applications, applicants are seeking issuance and renewal of the pass-port.
3. It is contention of the learned counsel for the applicants that, in matter applicant has filed application for issuance of pass-port, but, pass-port Authority has asked no objection of this Court and requested to allow

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the application.

4. Learned counsel for Respondent No. 2 strongly objected to allow the applications on the ground that if pass-port is renewed, applicant may abscond.

5. Learned counsel for pass-port authority submit that, applicants shall file proper application for renewal and issuance of the passport and pass-port authority will decide it on its own merit.

5. I have heard all learned counsel .

6. Considering the submission of all learned counsel, I pass following order.

ORDER

- i) Both Applications are allowed.
- ii) The pass-port authority shall decide the pending application of Ms. Sunita Sharma for issuance of pass-port on its own merit and Applicant Madhavan Pillai shall file fresh application before the pass-port authority for renewal of pass-port
- iii) The pass-port authority shall decide the said application's on its own merit. The pass-port authority may consider issuance of pass-port for 10 years.

(SHIVKUMAR DIGE, J.)