



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY,
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR.**

CRIMINAL APPLICATION (APPA) NO. 225 OF 2026

IN

CRIMINAL APPEAL ST. NO. 3208 OF 2026

ROSHAN S/O VITTHAL GODSELWAR

Vrs.

STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND ANOTHER

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or directions and Registrar's order

Court's or Judge's Order

Shri R. M. Daga, Advocate for applicant/appellant.
Shri G. S. Umale, APP for respondent No.1.

CORAM: Y. G. KHOBRAGADE, J.

DATE : 11/06/2026.

1. Heard Shri R. M. Daga, learned counsel for the applicant, Shri G. S. Umale, learned APP for respondent No.1 and Ms. Alpana Ingolikar, learned counsel for respondent No.2.

2. By the present application, the applicant – accused / jail inmate seeking condonation of delay of 437 days caused while lodging the appeal under Section 14-A of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 to challenge the order dated 10/10/2024 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Aheri, Dist. Gadchiroli in Special (POCSO) Case No.125/2023.

3. Learned APP as well as learned counsel appearing for the non-applicant No.2 strongly opposed the application.

4. Needless to say that, the appellant came to be arrested on 12/06/2023 in connection with Crime No.197/2023 registered with Aheri Police Station for the offences punishable under Sections 376, 376(2)(n), 376(3), 376-D, 376-DA and 377 r/w Section 34 of the IPC and Sections 4, 6, 8 and 12 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO) Act, 2012 and Sections 3(1)(w)(i)(ii), 3(2)(v) of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and since then, he is behind the bar, therefore, considering the grounds set out in the application, the delay of 437 days caused while lodging the appeal is hereby condoned.

5. The criminal application is disposed of.

6. The office to register the appeal and place the matter before this Court on **17/06/2026**.

[JUDGE]