

MHPU090028102025 	Sate of Maharashtra
	Vs.
	Parag Vasant Pardhi

Order below Exh-09

(Dt. 05/05/2026)

The applicant/accused namely **Parag Vasant Pardhi** has filed this application for renewal of his passport having validity of 10 years. As per his contention his passport is expired on 14/01/2026 and he wants to renewal of his passport for the period of 10 years. The applicant/ accused wants to go abroad for work purpose. The accused is going to prefer application for renewal of passport. During inquiry in passport office it appears that criminal case is pending against him before the court. Hence, the applicant/ accused has filed present application for seeking permission from the court for renewal of the passport.

2) The Ld. APP has filed her say and resisted contention of present application.

3) Ld. Advocate for accused argued that, the present accused is supposed to visit the foreign countries for work therefore he is in imminent need of passport having validity of 10 years. He further submitted that Hon'ble Supreme Court through various case laws clearly stated that passport has to be issued for the period of 10 years though criminal case is pending before the court. In support of his contention he relied on ratio laid down in Narendra K Ambwani Vs. Union of India AIR ONLINE 2014 BOM 7 in which Hon'ble Bombay High Court

directed that, in all cases where the Magistrate's court directs renewal of the passports under the Rules, the Passport Rules, 1980 shall apply and passports other than for a child aged more than 15 years shall be renewed for a period of ten years or twenty years as the case may be from the date of its issue. All qualifying applicants are entitled to have passport renewed for atleast ten years. The Regional Passport Office shall renew the passports of such qualifying applicants atleast for ten years.

4) The offence p/u/s 279, 304-A of IPC and under section 119/177 of Motor Vehicle Act in C.R. no.304/2016 is pending against the applicant/ accused.

5) I have perused section 5, section 6 & Section 22 of the Passport Act 1967. It reveals that the Government can exempt any person by notification, from the operation of any provision of The Passport Act. Therefore in view of provision of section 5, section 6 & Section 22 of The Passport Act 1967 and Notification Number G. S. R. 5 70(E), dated August 25 1993, published in the Gazette of India, Extra, Part II, by Ministry of External affairs and as per direction of Hon'ble Bombay High court in Narendra K Ambwani's (supra) the court has power to grant permission.

6) No prejudice will cause to the prosecution if applicant/ accused is permitted to renewal of passport of applicant by putting some condition on him. The criminal case against accused is not related to public importance at large. The accused is already on bail. The accused is holding passport. He has filed verified copies of his passport. Therefore, it will be

appropriate to allow the application with conditions. In the result, the following order is passed.

ORDER

1. The application is allowed.
2. This court has no objection for renewal of passport of applicant/accused namely **Parag Vasant Pardhi** for 10 years subject to following conditions.
3. The applicant/accused is to take note that trial in SCC No.1424/2025 will be conducted in his absence and the advocate of applicant/ accused must remain present for each date before the court.
4. He Must furnish the undertaking before the court that he will remain present in the court when his presence required before court.

Date – 05/05/2026

(T.S.Mahadik)
Judicial Magistrate F.C.,
Pimpri, Pune

-: CERTIFICATE :-

I affirm that the contents of this pdf file order are same words as per original Order.

Name of Stenographer	: Mrs. N.K.Vaidya
Court Name	: T.S.Mahadik, Judicial Magistrate F.C., Pimpri, Pune
Date of Decision	: 05/05/2026
Order digitally signed by P.O. on	: 05/05/2026
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