

Order below Exh.21

1. This is an application moved by respondent No.2 for setting aside no W. S. order and allowing to file the written statement. Application is opposed and prayed for rejection by filing the say. It is appearing from the record that no W. S. order was passed on 18.02.2026. The written statement was to be filed within 90 days from the date of service of notice of the petition. Because of failure to file the written statement, no W. S. order came to be passed.

2. The written statement of respondent No.2 is ready to file it on record. Having regard to the nature of the proceeding, and the fact that the written statement is ready and there is no likelihood of further delay on account of taking on record the written statement, and furthermore, it is better to decide the petition on merits by providing the opportunity to the parties, I am of the view that application needs to be allowed.

3. Hence, the application is allowed. Delay in filing written statement is condoned. No W. S. order dated 18.02.2026 is set aside. W. S. of respondent No.2 shall taken on record. No order as to the costs.

Sd/-

Date :- 10.04.2026
Place :- Thane

(K. P. Shrikhande)
Extra Jt. District Judge & Addl. Sessions
Judge as Member, M.A.C.T., Thane.