

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

WRIT PETITION (STAMP) NO. 5238 OF 2026

Valentine Fransico Silveira

...Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra & Ors.

...Respondents

Mr. Bahraiz Irani a/w Mr. Santos Shane, Mr. Anosh Irani & Ms. Afreen Bano, learned Advocates for the Petitioner.

Mrs. Poonam P. Bhosale, learned A.P.P. for the State/Respondent.
Mr. Shivamsinh Vijaysinh Deshmukh a/w Mr. Prashant Choudhary & Mr. Dwarkesh Chavda, learned Advocates for Respondent No. 7.

CORAM : ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.

DATE : 12th MARCH 2026.

P.C. :

1. This Petition was mentioned today at 11:00 a.m. on the grounds of urgency as stated in the *praecipe* dated 12.03.2026. The said *praecipe* is taken on record and marked as “X” for identification. At the request of Mr. Bahraiz Irani, learned Advocate for the Petitioner, circulation was granted post lunch.
2. This matter was taken up after the “Fresh Admission Board”.
3. Heard Mr. Bahraiz Irani, learned Advocate for the Petitioner. He submits that the subject matter of this Petition is connected with the subject matters of Criminal Writ Petition Nos. 1139/2026, 1140/2026 & 1192/2026. He therefore requests for taking up the present Petition with the said three Petitions.

4. In view of the request made by Mr. Bahraiz Irani, learned Advocate, all the aforesaid Petitions are taken up together.
5. Issue notice to the Respondents, returnable on 26.03.2026.
6. Mrs. Poonam Bhosale, learned A.P.P. waives service of notice on behalf of the State/Respondent. Mr. Shivamsinh Deshmukh, learned Advocate waives service of notice on behalf of Respondent No. 7.

[ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.]

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