



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.1542 OF 2026
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL (ST) NO.9718 OF 2026**

Sonu Ananta Jadhav @ Raj ... Applicant
versus
State of Maharashtra ... Respondent

None for Applicant.
Mrs. R.S.Tendulkar, APP for State.

CORAM: N.J.JAMADAR, J.

DATE : 11 JUNE 2026

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1. Heard the learned APP for State.
2. This is an application for condonation of 146 days delay in filing an appeal against the judgment and order dated 7 October 2025 and 9 October 2025 in MCOC Special Case No.158 of 2021.
3. In para No.4 of the application, the applicant has ascribed justifiable reasons for condonation of delay. The applicant is stated to have undergone the entire substantive sentence, and is in custody on account of his inability to pay fine.
4. In view of the reasons ascribed in the application and to advance the cause of substantive justice, the application for condonation of delay in preferring the appeal deserves to be condoned.



5. Hence, the Interim Application stands allowed.
6. Delay in preferring the appeal stands condoned.
7. Criminal Appeal be registered and listed for Admission on 9 July 2026.

(N.J.JAMADAR, J.)