

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY****CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION****INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 4120 OF 2025****IN****CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 3841 OF 2019**

Lawyers Collective Through the  
authorized representative

Ms. Firdaus Moosa

.....Applicant

Vs.

Central Bureau Of Investigation & Anr.

.....Respondents

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Mr. Amit Desai, Senior Advocate a/w Adv. Gopalkrishna Shetty and Adv.  
Rahul Kamerkar for the Applicant.

Smt. Mankuwar M. Deshmukh Acting PP, for the Respondent-State.

Mr. Amit Munde, Special PP a/w Adv. Jai Vohra for the CBI.

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**CORAM : A. S. GADKARI AND  
RANJITSINHA RAJA BHONSALE, JJ.**

**DATE : 10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2025.**

**P.C.**:-

- 1) Leave to amend to state complete address of Union of India through its Department, granted.
- 2) Amendment be carried out forthwith and in any event, during the course of the day.

- 3) After amendment is carried out issue notice to Respondent-  
UOI, returnable on 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2025. Hamdust permitted.
- 4) Mr. Desai, learned senior Advocate for the Applicant on  
instructions submitted that, while filing the final report under Section 173  
of Cr.P.C., the Investigating Agency has dropped the provisions of Section 41  
of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA), 2010, which permits  
the Applicant to compound the offence.
- 4.1) That, till date the trial Court has not taken cognizance of the  
said crime. He submitted that, compounding is permitted before the  
cognizance of the crime is taken.
- 5) In view thereof, till the returnable date, ad-interim relief in  
terms of prayer clause (b).

**(RANJITSINHA RAJA BHONSALE J.)**

**(A.S. GADKARI, J.)**

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