IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

903 FIRST APPEAL NO. 3205 OF 2008

1. Hari Deochand Marathe
Age: 69 years, Occu: Farmer,
R/o Bramhanpuri, Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ….APPELLANT

VERSUS

1. The Special Land Acquisition Officer
Medium Project, Dhule
Tq. & Dist. Dhule

2. The State Of Maharashtra
Through Colletor, Dhule,
Tq. & Dist. Dhule
(Now District Nandurbar)

3. The Executive Engineer,
Nimna Tapi Pathbandhare Vibhag,
Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ….RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 823 OF 2007

1. Sudam Sajan Patil (Deceased)
Through L.Rs.

1A) Vitthal Sudam Patil,
Age: 38 years, Occu: Agri
R/o. Mohida, Tq. Shahada,
Dist. Nandurbar

1B) Latabai Udhav Patil
Age: 50 years, Occu: Agri
R/o Ashispur, Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar

1C) Vimalben Pitambar Patil
Age: 47 years, Occu: Agri

R/o Kurawad, Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar

1D) Smt. Nabibi Sudam Patil
Age: 70 years, Occu: Agri
R/o Maloni, Tq. Shahada,
Dist. Nandurbar ....APPELLANTS

(Appellant No.1A is power of
Attorney Holder of Appellant Nos. 1B to 1D)

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Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 13 OF 2010

Madhukar Gorakh Patil
(Deceased) Through L.rs.

1A Vikasbhai S/o Madhukar Patil
Age: 25 years, Occu: Education

1B Sau. Rupali W/o Nayan Patel
Age: 30 years, Occu: Household

1C Smt. Meenaben W/o Madhukar Patil
Age: 50 years, Occu: Household

All R/o Lonakhada, tq. Shahada
Distrcit- Nandurbar ....APPELLANTS

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Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ….RESPONDENTS

WITH
X-OBJECTION NO. 32 OF 2023
IN FA/1451/2007

Uddhav S/o Gorak Patil,
Age: 59 years, Occu: Farmer,
R/o Maloni, Tq. Shahada
District Nandurbar ….PETITIONER

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Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ….RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 2769 OF 2010

Bansi Ghanshyam Patil
(Deceased) Through L.rs.

1. Ravindra Bansi Patil
Age: 38 years, Occu: Agri

2. Mohan Bansi patil
Age: 35 years, Occu: Agri

3. Sumanbai W/o Bansi Patil
Age: 62 years, Occu: Agri.,

4. Chhayabai W/o Vilas Patil
Age: 40 years, Occu: Agri

All R/o Lonkheda Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ....APPELLANTS

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Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 2768 OF 2010

Nagin Murar Patil (Died)
Through L.rs

1. Nabiben Nagin Patil
Age: 69 years, Occu: Agri

2. Sau. Kantabai Vitthal Patil,

Age: 37 years, Occu: Agri

3. Leelaben Uddhav Patil
Age: 34 years, Occu: Agri
4. Hiraben Sharad Patil
Age: 37 years, Occu: Agri

5. Meeraben Sharad Patil
Age: 30 years, Occu: Agri

6. Nitin Nagin Patil
Age: 27 years, Occu; Agri

All R/o. Alchi, tq. Shahada,
Dist. Nandurbar ....APPELLANTS

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3. The Executive Engineer,
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Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
X-OBJECTION NO. 34 OF 2023
IN FA/80/2008

Bula Gorakh Patil
Age; 61 years, Occu: farmer
R/o Maloni, Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ....PETITIONER

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3. The Executive Engineer,
Nimna Tapi Pathbandhare Vibhag,
Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 3209 OF 2008

Chhabibai Dashrath Patil
Age: 42 years, Occu: Farmer
R/o Bramhanpuri Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ....APPELLANT

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3. The Executive Engineer,
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Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
X-OBJECTION NO. 33 OF 2023
IN FA/125/2008

Ramesh Shripat Patil
Age; 54 years, Occu: Farmer,
R/o. Brahmanpuri, Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ....PETITIONER

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3. The Executive Engineer,
Nimna Tapi Pathbandhare Vibhag,
Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 4187 OF 2008

Ramesh Dathu Patil
Age: 47 years, Occu: Farmer
R/o Bramhanpur, tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ....APPELLANT

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3. The Executive Engineer,
Nimna Tapi Pathbandhare Vibhag,
Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 4186 OF 2008

1. Lilabai W/o Hilal Marathe
Age: 39 years, Occu: Agri

2. Laxmi D/o Chudaman Marathe,
Age: 39 years, Occu: Agri

3. Bhatu Chudaman Marathe
Age: 45 years, Occu: Agri

All R/o Brahmanpuri, Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ....APPELLANTS

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3. The Executive Engineer,
Nimna Tapi Pathbandhare Vibhag,
Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 4193 OF 2008

Dashrath Nattu Patil
Age: 67 years, Occu: Farmer
R/o Bramhanpuri, Tq. Shahada,
Dist. Nandurbar ....APPELLANT

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3. The Executive Engineer,
Nimna Tapi Pathbandhare Vibhag,
Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 3540 OF 2008

Bhikubai Shripat Patil
Deceased Through L.Rs.

1. Ramesh Shripat Patil
Age: 65 years, Occu: Agri.,
R/o. Brahmanpuri, Tq. Shahada,
Dist. Nandurbar

2. Kamalbai W/o Jadhav Patil,
Age: 58 years, Occu: Household,
R/o Junawane, Tq. Shahada,
Dist. Nandurbar

3. Meerabai W/o Damu Patil
Age: 55 years, Occu: Household,
R/o Shirud-Digar,
Tq. Shahada, Dist. Nandurbar

4. Ramdas S/o Natthu Patil
Age: 43 years, Occu: Agri
R/o Shahada, Tq. Shahada,
Dist. Nandurbar ....APPELLANTS

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3. The Executive Engineer,
Nimna Tapi Pathbandhare Vibhag,
Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
X-OBJECTION NO. 35 OF 2023
IN FA/2917/2008

Devkabai W/o Bhatu Marathe (Died)
Through L.Rs.

Ganesh S/o Bhatu Marathe (Died)
Through L.Rs.,

1A) Sunanda W/o Ganesh Marathe
Age: 50 years, Occu: Household

1B) Tyagraj S/o Ganesh Marathe
Age: 31 years, Occu; Service

1C) Sapna D/o. Ganesh Marathe
Age: 29 years, Occu: Household

1D) Prashant S/o Ganesh Marathe
Age: 27 years, Occu: Education

2A) Chhayabai W/o Ambadas Nawale
Age: 45 years, Occu: Household
Applicant No.1A to 2A
R/o Bramhanpuri, Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ....PETITIONERS

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3. The Executive Engineer,
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Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 4189 OF 2008

1. Prabhakar Chhoutulal Vispute
Died Through L.rs.

1-A Mangalabai W/o Prabhakar Vispute
Age: 69 years, Occu; retired

1-B Pavan S/o Prabhakar Vispute,
Age: 32 years, Occu: Classes

1-C Sonal W/o Nandkumar Randhir,
Age: 44 years, Occu: Household

1-D Shilpa W/o Vinayak Sonawane
Age: 42 years, Occu: Household

1-E Prachi W/o Rahul Sonawane
Age: 40 years, Occu: Household

All applicants R/o Bramhanpuri,
Tq. Shahada, Dist. Nandurbar ....APPELLANTS

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3. The Executive Engineer,
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Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar
....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 4188 OF 2008

Chagan Tarachand Marathe
Age: 67 years, Occ: Farmer,
R/o. Bramhanpuri, Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ...APPELLANT

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3. The Executive Engineer,
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Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 4190 OF 2008

1. Sudam Sadu Patil (Deceased)

2. Krushna Sadu Patil (Died)
Through L.Rs.

2-A Radhabai W/o Krushna Patil
Age: 60 years, Occu: Nil

2-B Vijay S/o Krushna Patil
Age: 37 years, Occu: Agri

2-C Sanjay S/o Krushna Patil
Age: 32 years, Occu: Service

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3. The Executive Engineer,
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Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 3206 OF 2008

Limbaji Chhagan Patil
Age: 55 yearsm Occu: Farmer
R/o Brahmanpuri, Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ....APPELLANT

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3. The Executive Engineer,
Nimna Tapi Pathbandhare Vibhag,
Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 3208 OF 2008

Jadhav Mangalu Patil
Age: 72 years, Occu: Farmer
R/o Bramhanpuri, Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar
Through Power of Attorney Holder
Mohan S/o Jadhav Patil,
Age: 45 years, Occu: Agri
R/o As above. ....APPELLANT

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3. The Executive Engineer,
Nimna Tapi Pathbandhare Vibhag,
Nandurbar Tq & Dist. Nandurbar ....RESPONDENTS

WITH
FIRST APPEAL NO. 3455 OF 2008

Ramdas Vithal Patel
Age: 52 Years, Occu: Farmer
R/o Bramhanpuri Tq. Shahada
Dist. Nandurbar ...APPELLANT

VERSUS

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Mr. A. A. A. Khan, AGP for Respondents/State
Mr. Subhash Chillarge, Advocate for Respondent No.3 in all matters

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CORAM : SANJAY A. DESHMUKH, J.

DATE : 28.11.2025

ORAL JUDGMENT :-

1. All these appeals arise out of the acquisition of agricultural lands from different villages which are adjacent to each other.

2. Learned advocate for the appellants pointed out the following lands, along with their details, which were acquired for the project of Minor Irrigation Tank Susari, situated in the villages viz Bramhanpuri, Navalpur, Chandsaili, Mohide-Tarfe-Haveli and Godipur, Tahsil and District Nandurbar, as under:

Sr. No.	F. A. No.	L.A.R. No.	Name of Claimants	Block No.	Acquired Area	S.L.A.O. Award Rs.	Reference Court Awarded Rs.
01	3205/2008	32/2000	Hari Deochand Marathe	23	04 H 42 R. 12 R. Barren	56,000/- per Hector for BG. For	1,15,000/- Per Hector by

						barren not awarded amount	considered as
02	13/2010	19/200	Madhukar Gorakh Patil	103/3	01 H 15R PK 09 R	53,000/- Per hector	1,75,000/- per Hector
03	2768/2010	14/2000	Nagin Murar Patil	92/1 (P)	02 H. 15 R.	53,000/- per Hector for BG	1,75,000/- per Hector
04	2769/2010	13/2000	Bansi Ghanshyam Patil (Died) Through L.R. Ravindra & Ors.	91/P	00 H 97 R	56,000/- per Hector	1,75,000/- per Hector
05	3206/2008	26/2000	Limbaji Chhagan Patil	9/ (p)	02 H. 23 R. PK 08 R	56,000/- per Hector	1,75,000/- per Hector.
06	3208/2008	24/2000	Jadhav Mangalu Patil	41/2	01 H 62 R	53,000/- per Hector	1,75,000/- per Hector
07	3209/2000	30/2000	Chhabibai Dashrath Patil	118	03 H 92 R	56,000/- Per Hector	1,50,000/- per Hector
08	3455/2008	05/2000	Ramdas Vitthal Patel	11	00 H 13 R	56,000/- Per Hector	1,75,000/- per Hector
09	3540/2008	09/2000	Bhikubai Shripat Patil	37/1 +3	04 H 12 R 45 R PK	56,000/- Per Hector	2,10,000/- per Hector as Bagayat.
10	4186/2008	33/2000	Lilabai Hilal Marathe	12/P	00 H 18 R	56,000/- Per Hector	2,00,000/- Per Hector
11	4187/2008	22/2000	Ramesh Datthu Patil	13/P	00 H. 31 R	56,000/- Per Hector	2,10,000/- per Hector
12	4188/2008	8/2000	Chhagan Tarachand Marathe	31/P	00 H 54 R	59,000/- Per Hector	1,50,000/- per Hector
13	4189/2008	15/2000	Prabhakar Chotulal Vispute	29 36	01 H 52 R 08 R Pk 02 H 09 R 15 R Pk	53,000/- per Hector 65,000/- per Hector	2,10,000/- per Hector 2,10,000/- per Hector
14	4190/2008	25/2000	Sudam Sadu patil	27/P	01 H 47R 14 R PK	56,000/- Per Hector	1,75,000/- per Hector
15	4193/2008	06/2000	Dashrath Nathu Patil	28/2 /P	00 H 52 R	65,000/- Per Hector	1,35,000/- Per Hector
16	823/2007	05/2005	Sudam Sajan Patil	150 (P)	01 H 40 R	65,000/- Per Hector	75,500/- per Hector

17	X. Obj.No.32/ 2023 IN FA/1451/20 07	20/2000	Uddhav Gorakh Patil	101/ 2	01 H 15 R PK 05 R	53,000/- per Hector for BG	1,15,000/- Per Hector
18	X.Obj.No.33 /2023 IN FA/125/200 8	07/2000	Ramesh Shripat Patil	37/2	01 H 14 R	56,000/- Per Hector	1,87,500/- Per Hector
19	X.Obj.No 34/2023 IN FA/80/2008	22/2000	Bula Gorakh Patil	101/ 1/P	01 H. 15 R. 15 R. PK	53,000/- Per Hector	1,75,000/- Per Hector
20	X.Obj.No 35/2023 IN FA/2917/20 08	27/2000	Devkabai Bhatu Marathe	31	02 H 65 R PK 04 R	59,000/- per Hector.	2,00,000/- per Hector.

3. Learned advocate for the appellants / claimants submitted that the lands of the claimants were irrigated and had pipeline facilities. However, the learned Reference Court did not consider this aspect in its proper perspective and awarded a meager amount of compensation by holding that, in some matters, the lands of the claimants were irrigated and semi-irrigated. The amount of compensation was not properly determined considering the evidence adduced by the claimants, particularly the sale instances were not properly appreciated. He submitted that the reasons and findings recorded by the learned Reference Court are neither legal nor correct, either on facts or in law. He further pointed out the judgment of this Court delivered in First Appeal No.133 of 2007 and other connected matters dated 25.01.2021, wherein compensation of Rs.2,00,000/-

per hectare was awarded for irrigated land. He therefore submitted that the principle of parity be applied while awarding compensation to the claimants lands in the present appeals, as well as in the cross-objections filed by them in the other four appeals, which were withdrawn in view of the Circular of the State Government authorizing the learned AGP to withdraw appeals where the compensation awarded is not more than four times. Learned advocate for the claimants lastly prayed to allow the appeals as well as the Cross-Objections.

4. Learned AGP for the State and Learned advocate for respondent No.3 strongly opposed the appeals and cross-objections and submitted that there is no substance in the grounds of objections raised by the claimants. They submitted that the entire evidence was properly appreciated by the learned Reference Court and calculated the amount of compensation based on the evidence. They therefore submitted that no interference is warranted in the impugned judgments and awards and lastly prayed to dismiss the appeals and Cross-Objections.

5. Perused the impugned judgments and awards as well as the record and proceedings, along with the judgment relied upon by the

learned advocate for the appellants/claimants, delivered on 25.01.2021 in First Appeal No.133 of 2007. On perusal of the entire documentary evidence, particularly the 7/12 extracts and the oral and documentary evidence, it appears that except for the barren land shown in the table, the claimants' lands are similarly situated. The lands in the vicinity are of the same quality and have the facility of a pipeline. This shows that the lands in question, which were acquired for one and the same project, are required to be compensated on the basis of the judgment delivered on 25.01.2021 in First Appeal No.133 of 2007 and other connected matters.

6. As regards to the First Appeal Nos.3540 of 2008, 4186 of 2008, 4187 of 2008, 4189 of 2008 and Cross-Objection No.35 of 2023 in FA/2917/2008, the learned Reference Court has already awarded compensation @ Rs.2,10,000/-, Rs.2,00,000/-, Rs.2,10,000/-, Rs.2,10,000/- and Rs.2,00,000/- per hectare respectively. Hence, the said appeals and Cross-Objection deserve to be dismissed.

7. Considering all these aspects and on the principle of parity, the cross-objections and the First Appeals excluding First Appeal Nos.3540 of 2008, 4186 of 2008, 4187 of 2008, 4189 of 2008 and

Cross-Objection No.35 of 2023 in FA/2917/2008, deserve to be partly allowed, and the impugned judgments and awards deserve to be partly set aside. Hence, the following order:

:: ORDER ::

a. The First Appeals except First Appeal Nos.3540 of 2008, 4186 of 2008, 4187 of 2008, 4189 of 2008 are partly allowed. The Cross-Objections except Cross-Objection No.35 of 2023 in FA/2917/2008, are partly allowed.

b. The impugned judgments and awards are partly set aside and modified as under:

c. The compensation awarded by the learned Reference Court is enhanced to Rs. 2,00,000/- per hectare for irrigated lands of the claimants in all the claim petitions along with statutory benefits.

d. The claimants are entitled to compensation @ Rs. 50,000/- per hectare for their barren lands, along with statutory benefits including interest, etc., as per the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act.

e. The First Appeal Nos.3540 of 2008, 4186 of 2008, 4187 of 2008, 4189 of 2008 and Cross-Objection No.35 of 2023 in FA/2917/2008 are dismissed.

f. It is clarified that the claimants shall not be entitled to interest for the period of delay, if such delay is condoned by this Court.

g. The Acquiring Authority is directed to deposit the amount of enhanced compensation within 12 weeks, along with interest and other benefits accrued thereon.

h. Pending Civil Applications, if any, stand disposed of.

[SANJAY A. DESHMUKH, J.]

HRJadhav