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

WRIT PETITION NO.793 OF 2015

Shri Dattatray Shankar Lagad and Ors.	Petitioners
Vs.	
The State of Maharashtra and Ors.	Respondents

Mr. Suresh M. Sabrad, for Petitioners.
Mrs. M.P. Thakur, AGP, for Respondents.

**CORAM: A.S.OKA &
A.K. MENON, JJ.**

DATE: 9th FEBRUARY, 2015

P.C.:

Not on board. Taken on board.

. The learned AGP does not dispute that the matter is pending before the State Government for taking appropriate decision on the proposal of the Petitioners for grant of prior approval under Clause (b) of Sub-Section (1) of Section 36A of the Maharashtra Land Revenue Code, 1966. In view of what is held by this Court in Judgment and Order dated 10th October, 2014 in Writ Petition No.8744 of 2014 and other connected Petitions, appropriate decision will have to be taken by the State Government within a period of three months from today. For the reasons recorded in the said Judgment and Order, we pass the following order :-

ORDER

- (i) The State Government shall take appropriate decision on the proposal of the petitioners pending for grant of prior approval under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of Section 36A of the Maharashtra Land Revenue Code, 1966, as expeditiously as possible and in any event, within a period of three months from today;
- (ii) The order passed by the State Government on the said proposal shall be forthwith communicated to the District Collector within a period of one week from the date of passing the order;
- (iii) After receiving the communication of the order from the State Government, the District Collector shall pass orders on the application of the Petitioners in accordance with law preferably within a period of one month from the date on which the orders of the State Government are communicated to him;
- (iv) We dispose of the Petition in terms of the above directions.

(A.K. MENON, J.)

(A.S.OKA, J.)