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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

BENCH AT AURANGABAD

WRIT PETITION NO.8035/2017

Muktai Bahu Udeshiya Mahila Mandal,
through its Chairman
Pratibha Sanjay Patil & another.
...Petitioners..

Versus

The State of Maharashtra & others.
...Respondents...

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Shri Amol N. Kakade, Advocate for petitioners.
Smt.Archana V. Gondhalekar, AGP for respondent nos.1 to
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**CORAM: DR.MANJULA CHELLUR, CJ. &
R.M. BORDE, J.**

DATE: 30.06.2017

ORDER :

- 1] Heard learned counsel appearing for the parties.
- 2] The petitioner is before this Court contending that in terms of advertisement / proclamation dated 31.10.2013, license to run a fair price shop and distribution of kerosene came to be implemented only in the year 2017 after a gap of four years, therefore, the petitioner has also lost a chance since its establishment

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came into existence after the advertisement came to be issued.

3] We fail to understand the *locus standi* of the petitioner. The petitioner apparently cannot challenge the issuance of license in favour of respondent nos.5 and 6 in a public interest litigation, since the petitioner itself is interested in obtaining such a license. The grievance seems to be that as on the date of the advertisement, the petitioner was not even born and now before the issuance of license, it has taken a shape and, therefore, it is aggrieved by grant of license in favour of respondent nos.5 and 6. The petitioner, not being a competitor in terms of the advertisement issued in 2013, we are of the opinion that there is no *locus standi* for the petitioner to come before this Court seeking the reliefs sought in the petition.

4] The petition is dismissed. No costs.

(R.M. BORDE, J.)

CHIEF JUSTICE