

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

WRIT PETITION NO. 1538 OF 2018

Divesh Vinod Sonawane Through his Father

Vinod Gopichand Sonawane

.. Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and others

.. Respondents

Shri. Kalyan Patil, Advocate h/f Shri. S. R. Barlinge, Advocate for
Petitioner.

Shri. A.S. Shinde, A.G.P. for all Respondents.

**CORAM : S.V. GANGAPURWALA AND
A. M. DHAVAL, JJ.**

DATED : 7th February, 2018

PER COURT:

. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that validation proceeding in respect of the tribe claim of the petitioner is pending since July, 2016. The same is not yet decided. The father of the petitioner has been issued validity certificate.

2. The learned A.G.P. accepts notice for all respondents and states

that, the Respondent No. 2 would decide the validation proceeding on its own merits.

3. Considering the urgency in the matter that the petitioner is required to appear for Entrance Exam in the month of April as contended by the petitioner, we direct the Respondent No. 2 to decide the validation proceeding in respect of the tribe claim of the petitioner on priority basis and preferably by 15.04.2018. The petitioner shall appear before the committee on 22.02.2018 and co-operate in expeditious disposal of the proceeding. The writ petition is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

[A. M. DHAVALÉ, J.]

[S. V. GANGAPURWALA, J.]