

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 1381 OF 2018

Nihar Mahesh Keny, Since minor
Through his father and natural Guardian
and father Mr.Mahesh Ashok Keny ...Petitioner
Versus
State Of Maharashtra
Through Its Secretary And Ors. ...Respondents

Mr.C. K. Bhangoji for the Petitioner.

Mr.V.N. Sagare, AGP for Respondent-State.

**CORAM : RANJIT MORE &
SMT.ANUJA PRABHUDESSAI, JJ.**

DATE : 05th FEBRUARY 2018

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1. Having heard the learned counsel for the respective parties, we deem it convenient to direct the respondent No.2-Competent Authority to treat the petitioner's application dated 16th October 2017 for grant of fresh Caste Certificate as belonging to Koli Mahadev, Scheduled Tribe as expeditiously as possible and preferably within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of this order. Ordered accordingly.

2. It is made clear that we have not gone into the merits of

the matter and all points and contentions of the respective parties are kept open and respondent No.2-authority shall decide the petitioner's application on its own merits and in accordance with law.

3. In order to enable the respondent No.2 to decide and comply with this order, the petitioner shall remain present before respondent No.2 on 20th February 2018 along with copy of the said representation and copy of this order.

(SMT.ANUJA PRABHUDESSAI, J.)

(RANJIT MORE, J.)