

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

APPELLATE SIDE CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION (ST) NO. 17012 OF 2018

Mr. Suhas Sakharam Kadam

... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and Ors.

... Respondents

Mr. A.S. Khandeparkar a/w. Mr. Prerak Sharma, Chinmay Gaonkar, Sahil Shah, Sajid Shaikh & Dattaraya Adarkar i/by Juris Consultants Combine for the petitioner.

Mr. V.S. Gokhale, A.G.P. for the respondent nos. 1 to 3.

**CORAM : SHANTANU KEMKAR &
NITIN W. SAMBRE, JJ.**

DATE : JUNE 18, 2018

P.C.:

Parties through their counsel.

2. According to the petitioner, on 16/03/2018 he had purchased 5 lottery tickets worth Rs.100/- each. It is the case of the petitioner that out of the said tickets, his ticket No.GP-05 41815 has won and was declared first prize of Rs. 1,11,00,000/-.

3. The grievance of the petitioner is that when he visited the office of the third respondent, the staff of the third respondent refused to accept the petitioner's application for submission of the ticket stating that the lottery ticket is bogus. It is the case of the

petitioner that the 4th respondent is playing some mischief and for that the petitioner has already filed FIR in Mahatma Phule Police Station, Kalyan.

4. Be that as it may, we are not going into the genuineness of the said lottery ticket. However, we feel that the acceptance of the application along with the ticket cannot be denied by the third respondent or its staff at the threshold by saying that the same is bogus one.

5. In the circumstances, we dispose of the petition by directing the third respondent to forthwith accept the petitioner's lottery ticket along with an application as may be submitted by the petitioner and shall deal with the same in accordance with the law.

6. With the aforesaid observations, we dispose of this petition.

7. Parties to act on authenticated copy of this order.

(NITIN W. SAMBRE, J.)

(SHANTANU KEMKAR, J.)