

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 5299 OF 2019

Nikhil Eknath Sonawane

.. Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and another .. Respondents

Ms. Vaishali B. Suryawanshi, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Shri V. M. Kagane, A.G.P. for Respondent Nos. 1 and 2.

**CORAM : S. V. GANGAPURWALA AND
MANGESH S. PATIL, JJ.**

DATE : 11TH JUNE, 2019.

FINAL ORDER :

. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that, validation proceeding is pending with the respondent No. 2/Committee for more than three years. Same is not yet decided.

2. The learned Assistant Government Pleader accepts notice for respondent Nos. 1 and 2 and submits that, the respondent No. 2/Committee shall decide the proceedings on its own merits.

3. In case validation proceeding is pending with the respondent No. 2/Committee, then the respondent No. 2 shall decide the validation proceeding in respect of tribe claim of the

petitioner on its own merits, expeditiously and preferably within a period of six (06) months from the date of appearance of the petitioner. The petitioner shall appear before the respondent No. 2/Committee on 27.06.2019.

4. In the light of the above, the writ petition is disposed of. No cost.

[MANGESH S. PATIL, J.]

[S. V. GANGAPURWALA, J.]

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