

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

Writ Petition No. 12547 of 2019

District : Jalgaon

Mangal Bhika Patil,
Age : 54 years,
Occupation : Agriculture,
R/o. Gartad,
Taluka Chopda, .. Petitioner
District Jalgaon.

versus

1. The State of Maharashtra,
Through its Principal Secretary,
Gram Vikas Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 32.
2. The Divisional Commissioner,
Nashik Division, Nashik.
3. The Chief Executive Officer,
Zilla Parishad, Jalgaon,
Dist. Jalgaon.
4. Sarpanch / Up-Sarpanch,
Grampanchayat Gartad,
Taluka Chopda, .. Respondents
Dist. Jalgaon.

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Mr. Vinod P. Patil, Advocate, for the petitioner.

*Mrs. M.A. Deshpande, Additional Government Pleader,
for respondent nos.01 and 02.*

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**CORAM : S.V. GANGAPURWALA &
SMT. VIBHA KANKANWADI, JJ.**

DATE : 14TH OCTOBER 2019

ORAL ORDER :

01. Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had filed application seeking disqualification of Sarpanch and Upa-Sarpanch of Grampanchayat Gartad, Taluka Chopda, District Jalgaon. The same is rejected by respondent no.02. The petitioner has preferred appeal against the said decision before Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development, State of Maharashtra, Mumbai, bearing Grampanchayat Appeal No. 113 of 2019. The grievance is, the appeal is not being attended by the Hon'ble Minister.

02. Heard learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for respondent nos.01 and 02.

03. Considering the fact that the appeal is filed by the petitioner before Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development, State of Maharashtra, Mumbai, bearing Grampanchayat Appeal No. 113 of 2019, the Hon'ble Minister shall endeavour to decide the appeal, on its own merits, after giving opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and interested parties, as expeditiously as possible and preferably within a period of three months after the ensuing State Assembly election takes place.

04. With the above directions, the writ petition is disposed of.

(Smt. Vibha Kankanwadi)
JUDGE

(S.V. Gangapurwala)
JUDGE

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