

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY  
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR.

**FIRST APPEAL NO.243 OF 2016**

Vidarbha Irrigation Development Corporation  
Through its Executive Engineer, Bembla Project  
Division, Taq. and Dist. Yavatmal ... Appellant.

-vs-

Ramesh Suryabhan Dudhane  
And ors. ... Respondents.

Shri P. B. Patil, Advocate for appellant.  
Ms M. S. Naik, Assistant Government Pleader for respondent Nos.6 and 7.

**CORAM : A.S.CHANDURKAR, J.**

**DATE : February 21, 2019**

Oral Judgment :

In this appeal acquisition of land from village Pahur, Tal. Babhulgaon, District Yavatmal for the Bembla Project is under challenge. Notification under Section 4 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (for short, the said Act) is dated 11/05/2000. The Land Acquisition Officer passed his award on 17/10/2003. The claimants not being satisfied with the amount of compensation as granted filed reference proceedings vide L.A.C. No.36/2006 under Section 18 of the said Act. The Reference Court has granted enhancement at the rate of Rs.900/- per sq. meter for the open plot and Rs.1,413/- for constructed portion. That adjudication is under challenge in this appeal.

2. It is not in dispute that in First Appeal St. No.189/2018 (*V.I.D.C. and anr. vs. Vasant Nanaji Patre and ors.*) decided on 19/12/2018 this Court has adjudicated the amount of compensation for the open plot at the rate of Rs.750/- per sq. meter and has maintained the amount of enhancement as granted for the constructed portion. Hence in view of the reasons assigned in First Appeal St. No.189/2018, the following order is passed :

By modifying the judgment in L.A.C. No.36/2006, the amount of compensation for the open plot is adjudicated at Rs.750/- per sq. meter and the enhancement granted for the constructed area is maintained.

The amount of compensation if not deposited with the Reference Court shall be deposited within period of four months from today. On such deposit, the claimants would be entitled to withdraw the same.

First Appeal is allowed in aforesaid terms with no order as to costs.

JUDGE