

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 4917 OF 2021

Vinod Shankar Padmalkar and Others.

..Petitioners.

Versus

The Competent Authority
and Another.

..Respondents.

Mr. Milind Deshmukh for the Petitioner.

Ms. A. A. Purav, AGP for the Respondent-State.

CORAM: PRASANNA B. VARALE &
N. R. BORKAR, JJ.

Date: **September 29, 2021.**

P. C. :

1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioners and learned AGP for the Respondents.
2. Learned counsel for the Petitioners submitted that though time and again representations were submitted to the the Respondent-Authority, the Authority failed to decide those representations. He submitted that a copy one of such representations, latest in point of time, is placed on record at Exhibit-"E" (page No.21) to the petition.
3. The Petitioners submitted that they are the owners of certain lands situated at village Moruchi, taluka Malshiras, district Solapur and those lands were acquired, but compensation is not paid to them. The Respondent – Authority has filed reply and it is stated in the reply that petitioners are not entitled for the compensation of the land

in view of a circular of National Highway Authority, dated 10th April 2017. According to the Petitioners, lands under acquisition are owned by them and not by the government, as alleged in the reply.

4. Considering the facts and circumstances, it would be appropriate to direct Respondent No.1 (Authority) to decide the Petitioners' representation dated 12th March 2021 and pass the reasoned order, as expeditiously as possible and in any case within the period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. All concerned to act upon a copy of this order issued by the Registry of this Court as an authenticated copy of the order.

[N R. Borkar, J.]

[Prasanna B. Varale, J.]