

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY**CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION****WRIT PETITION NO. 4703 OF 2021**

Varjan Harji Solanki deceased through legal heirs and others ... Petitioners

Versus

Union of India and others ... Respondents

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Mr. Mihir Desai, Senior Advocate instructed by Mr. Mihir Joshi for the Petitioners.

Ms. Shehnaz Bharucha for Respondent No.1.

Mr. Hiten Venegaonkar for Respondent Nos.2 to 10.

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CORAM : S.J. KATHAWALLA AND

MILIND N. JADHAV, JJ.

DATED : SEPTEMBER 8, 2021.

(through video-conferencing)

P.C. :-

1. Mr. Mihir Desai, Senior Advocate representing the Petitioners states that he will file the claim/representation of the Petitioners with the Respondent No.9 – Saudwadi Gram Panchayat, District : Diu within a period of two weeks from today. Advocate Venegaonkar, representing Respondent Nos.2 to 10 states that the Competent Authority shall within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of the claim/representation, decide the claim / representation by following the provisions of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, the Rules framed thereunder and guidelines issued from time to time. The statements are accepted.

2. The Petitioners shall also be heard before deciding the claim / representation.
3. All contentions of the parties are kept open.
4. The above Writ Petition is disposed off accordingly.

(MILIND N. JADHAV, J.)

(S.J. KATHAWALLA, J.)