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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION NO. 7936 OF 2021

Yogesh Shivajirao Gopulwad

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Maharashtra and Ors.

... Respondents

Mr. R. K. Mendadkar for the Petitioner.

Mr. S. B. Kalel, AGP for the State-Respondents.

**CORAM: R. D. DHANUKA AND
R. N. LADDHA, JJ.**

DATE : 15th DECEMBER, 2021.

P.C. :-

- . Matter is on board and is mentioned out of turn at 2:30 p.m.
2. Rule. Learned AGP waives service for the respondents. By consent of parties, petition is heard finally.
3. By this petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, the petitioner seeks writ of mandamus against the respondent no.2-Committee to decide the application dated 19th June, 2017 filed by the petitioner for grant of caste validity certificate.
4. The respondent no.2-Committee is directed to dispose of the said application dated 19th June, 2017 filed by the petitioner expeditiously and not later than three months from the date of communication of this order.

5. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any views on the merits of the matter. All contentions of both the parties are kept open.

6. Learned AGP agrees to convey this order to the respondent no.2-Committee for information and compliance.

7. Writ Petition is allowed in aforesaid terms. Rule is made absolute accordingly. There shall be no order as to costs.

8. Parties to act on an authenticated copy of this order.

[R. N. LADDHA, J.]

[R. D. DHANUKA, J.]