

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

61 WRIT PETITION NO.9361 OF 2022

**FULCHAND MARUTI GHANTE
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA
THROUGH ITS SECRETARY AND OTHERS**

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Advocate for Petitioner: Mr. Sushant C. Yeramwar
AGP for Respondent No.1: Mr. P. K. Lakhotiya
Advocate for Respondent No.2: Mr. B. B. Bhise

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**CORAM: RAVINDRA V. GHUGE
AND
ARUN R. PEDNEKER, JJ.**

DATE: 21st SEPTEMBER, 2022

PER COURT:

1. The Petitioner's application for seeking a corrected caste certificate with regard to Koli Mahadev, Scheduled Tribe has been rejected. The Petitioner has a statutory remedy of filing an Appeal before the competent committee.

2. In view of the above, this Petition is disposed off, permitting the Petitioner to tender such an Appeal before the competent committee, on or before 04.10.2022.

3. The time spent by the Petitioner in this Court from 19.08.2022 till the passing of this order would be considered as a ground for condonation of delay. Similarly, all other grounds for condonation of delay would be considered by the committee.

4. If the delay is condoned and the Appeal is entertained by the committee, let such decision be delivered by the committee, as expeditiously as possible and preferably, on or before 28.02.2023.

[ARUN R. PEDNEKER, J.]

[RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.]

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