

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH : NAGPUR

WRIT PETITION NO.4987/2022

Kailas S/o Shankar Bhalerao,
Age about 34 Yrs., Occ. Student,
R/o Rokadiya Nagar, Near Water
Tank, Shegaon, Tq. Shegaon,
Dist. Buldana.

... Petitioner

- Versus -

Scheduled Tribe Caste Certificate Scrutiny
Committee, Amravati Division,
Old by pass, Chaprashipura, Amravati, through
its Vice Chairman / Jt. Commissioner.

... Respondent

Mr. Ankush P. Kalmegh, Advocate for the Petitioner.
Mr. K.L. Dharmadhikari, Assistant Government Pleader for the
Respondent.

**CORAM : SUNIL B. SHUKRE AND
VALMIKI SA MENEZES, JJ.
DATE : 6.9.2022**

ORAL JUDGMENT (Per Sunil B. Shukre, J.)

Heard. **Rule.** Rule made returnable forthwith.

Heard finally by consent of learned counsel for the parties.

2. Learned Assistant Government Pleader, on instructions, states that at least six months time is required by respondent Committee to take decision regarding the tribe claim of the petitioner. We are of the view that time of six months is unreasonable in view of the fact that the tribe claim of the petitioner is pending before the Scrutiny Committee since 19.12.2019 as submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner. If this is so, necessary direction would have to be issued to the respondent Committee.

3. We, therefore, allow the petition and direct the respondent Committee to decide the tribe claim of the petitioner, in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible and in any case, within four months from the date of receipt of the order. Rule accordingly. No costs.

(**VALMIKI SA MENEZES, J.**)

(**SUNIL B. SHUKRE, J.**)