

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

CONTEMPT PETITION NO. 247 OF 2023
IN WRIT PETITION NO. 6317 OF 2022

RAMKISAN S/O KACHARU WAGH
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THROUGH ITS SECRETARY
REVENUE DEPARTMENT MANTRALAYA MUMBAI AND
OTHERS

...
Mr. S.R. Sapkal – Advocate for Petitioner
Mr. S.S. Dande – AGP for Respondents, State
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CORAM : SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE, J.
DATE : 10th April, 2023

PER COURT :

1. Heard rival submissions.
2. It appears that, the petitioner is seeking action against the respondent nos.2 and 3 under the provisions of Contempt of Court Act for not following the directions given by this Court vide order dated 22nd August, 2022 whereby the D.S.L.R. was directed to dispose the proceedings within a period of four months.
3. The learned counsel for petitioner submits that, instead

of disposing of the proceedings within the stipulated period the respondent no.2 vide order dated 19th December, 2022, against asked for fresh proposal from Sub-ordinate Officers. However, it also appears that certain directions are also given by the respondent no.2 to collect fresh information in respect of the matter and all the interested persons are given opportunity of hearing and also of producing documentary evidence.

4. Thus, it appears that respondent no.2 is still monitoring the entire process for disposal of the proceedings as directed by this Court. Therefore, *prima-facie*, I do not find any contemptuous act on the part of respondent no.2 at this juncture. Hence, this Petition at this stage stands dismissed.

5. The respondent no.2 is therefore directed to dispose the proceeding as directed by this Court within a reasonable time.

[SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE]
JUDGE

Pooja K.