

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

**WRIT PETITION NO.6264 OF 2023**

**MANGAL KALYAN KOLHE  
VERSUS  
THE UNION OF INDIA THROUGH THE PRINCIPAL  
SECRETARY AND OTHERS**

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Advocate for the Petitioner : Shri Humbe Vilas M.  
DSGI for Respondent 1/UoI : Shri Ajay G. Talhar  
Advocate for Respondents 2 and 4/IOC : Shri A.P. Bhandari  
AGP for Respondent 3/State : Shri S.B. Yawalkar

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**CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE  
&  
Y. G. KHOBRAGADE, JJ.**

**DATE :- 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2023**

**Per Court :-**

1. We have considered the submissions of the learned Advocates for the respective sides. We have perused the representation dated 23.05.2023 filed by the Petitioner. We are informed by the Respondent Company that the Petitioner has a statutory remedy of approaching the competent Court, which is the District Court, under Section 10(2) of the Petroleum and Minerals Pipelines (Acquisition of Right of User in Land) Act, 1962.

2. As we consider the request of the Petitioner that his

representation may be decided, the question would be as to whether, the representation could really be maintainable in the light of the provisions of the 1962 Act. If all grievances of the Petitioner can be looked into by the competent Court under Section 10(2), we find that a direction to decide the representation, may not be a wholly fruitful exercise.

3. In view of the above, **this Writ Petition is disposed off** with liberty to the Petitioner to avail of a remedy as is permissible in law. In the event of delay, the time spent by the Petitioner in this Court from 01.06.2023 till the passing of this order, would be a ground for condonation of delay.

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(Y. G. KHOBRADE, J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)