

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

938 WRIT PETITION NO.7584 OF 2023

MUNJAJI NAIK BALSADAN THROUGH ITS PRESIDENT BALAJI DEVIDAS
PAWAR
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THROUGH ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
AND ANOTHER

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Advocate for Petitioner : Mr. Jadhav Vinod B.
AGP for Respondents/State : Mr. A.A. Jagatkar

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942 WRIT PETITION NO.7589 OF 2023

DEVIDAS PAWAR BALGRUHA NARSI THROUGH ITS PRESIDENT BALAJI
DEVIDAS PAWAR
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THROUGH ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
AND ANOTHER

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Advocate for Petitioner : Mr. Jadhav Vinod B.
AGP for Respondents/State : Mr. S.K. Tambe

**CORAM : MANGESH S. PATIL &
SHAILESH P. BRAHME, JJ.**

DATE : 06.07.2023

PER COURT :

The petitioners are child care homes which were having licences under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 and are now seeking renewal/fresh licences under the successor Act, Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015.

2. We have heard both the sides. A similar issue was considered by us in a group of matters, **Mother Teresa Balakashram Vs. The State of Maharashtra and others in Writ Petition No. 7821/2021** and connected matters by our

order dated 08.09.2022 to which one of us was a party.

3. We dispose of the writ petitions by directing the respondents to consider the petitioners proposals seeking renewal/issue of fresh licences under the Juvenile Justice Act of 2015 on its own merits, by following the course which we have expected of them while deciding the Writ Petition No. 7821/2021 (supra). The decision shall be taken as expeditiously as possible and in any case within sixteen weeks from today. The petitioners shall appear before the respondent No. 2-authority on 28.07.2023.

(SHAILESH P. BRAHME, J.)

(MANGESH S. PATIL, J.)

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