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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION NO.14960 OF 2023

Kumari Mayuri Prakash Warekar ...Petitioner

V/s.

State of Maharashtra & Ors. ...Respondents

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.14980 OF 2023**

Nisha Pritam Sawant ...Petitioner

V/s.

State of Maharashtra & Ors. ...Respondents

Mr. Vishal C. Ghosalkar for Petitioner.

Mrs. V.S. Nimbalkar, AGP for Respondent -State in
WP 14960 of 2023.

Mrs. M.S. Srivastava, AGP for Respondent- State in
WP 14980 of 2023.

CORAM: MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.

DATE: 5th December 2023

P.C.:

1. The challenge in these Writ Petitions is to the legality and validity of the order dated 31st October 2023, by which it has been declared that the respective Petitioner ceased to be

the member of the Grampanchayat Kondmala, Tal. Chiplun, Dist. Ratnagiri and thus has vacated the office.

2. Learned Counsel appearing for the Petitioners states that the Petitioners have already filed statutory appeals under Section 40(2) of the Maharashtra Village Panchayat Act, 1959. and as the said appeals were not taken up for hearing, the Writ Petition is filed. However, after filing the Writ Petition, the Petitioners have received notice of hearing scheduled on 8th December 2023.

3. The Additional Commissioner, Konkan Division is requested to dispose of the said appeals expeditiously and in any case to dispose of the stay application filed in said appeals on or before 31st December 2023.

4. The Writ Petitions are disposed of in above terms with no order as to costs.

5. It is clarified that this Court has not considered the merits and all contentions on merits are expressly kept open.

(MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.)