



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

**932 CONTEMPT PETITION NO. 569 OF 2024
IN WRIT PETITION NO. 1810 OF 2024**

**JAMIN GAFFUR SAYYED
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND ANOTHER**

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Advocate for the Petitioner : Mr. K. N. Shermale
AGP for Respondents – State : Mr. M. M. Nerlikar

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

DATE : 19.07.2024

PER COURT :

1. We had passed an order on 15.02.2024, in Writ Petition No. 1810 of 2024 wherein the statement of the learned AGP, made on instructions, was recorded that Smt. Deepa Mudhol, District Collector, Beed has passed an order on 27.06.2024 under Section 16 of the Maharashtra Grampanchayat Act, 1959.

2. The grievance of the Petitioner is that this Court had recorded the statement of the learned AGP made on instructions that a decision would be taken within 30 days. However, instead of deciding the proceedings by 15.03.2024, the order has been passed on 27.06.2024.

3. The learned AGP submits on instructions from the said District

Collector that she tenders an unconditional apology for having not decided the matter within 30 days. The learned AGP now submits that the concerned District Collector has already been transferred, in the routine transfer at the end of June- 2024.

4. Mr. Shermale, learned Advocate submits on instructions that it is for this Court to consider the above development.

5. We are of the view that though belatedly, the District Collector has decided the proceedings of the Petitioner. She has also tendered an apology which is conveyed to the Court by the learned AGP. In view of the same, the **Contempt Petition**, in which notice is yet to be issued, **is disposed off**.

6. We, however, deem it appropriate to record that all the District Collectors who head the District Administration at each district, should be more cautious and careful while implementing the orders of this Court. If they are short of time, they should, ideally, apply for extension of time, by filing a Civil Application before this Court.

(Y. G. KHOBRADE, J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)