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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION WP NO.25 OF 2024

BALKRISHNA BHASKAR SAWAIKAR AND
ANR

... PETITIONERS

Versus

THE STATE OF GOA THR. ITS CHIEF
SECRETARY AND 5 ORS

... RESPONDENTS

Ms Norma Alvares, with Mr Hrushikesh Patil and Mr Viraj Vishnu Bakre, Advocates for the Petitioners.

Mr Prashil Arolkar, Addl. Govt. Advocate for the State-Respondents No.1,3 and 4.

Mr A.D. Bhobe with Ms. Ujwala Raul, Advocates for Respondent No. 6.

**CORAM:- M. S. SONAK &
VALMIKI MENEZES, JJ.**

DATED :- 30th April, 2024

P.C.:

1. Ms Alvares appears with Mr Hrushikesh Patil for the Petitioners. Mr P. Arolkar, learned AGA appears for Respondents No.1, 3 and 4. Mr A.D. Bhobe appears with Ms Raul for the Sixth Respondent.

2. Issue notice to the Second and Fifth Respondents, returnable on 24th June 2024. In addition to the usual mode of service, private service is permitted on Respondent Nos.2 and 5. The Petitioners should file an affidavit of service.

3. Mr Bhobe, learned Counsel for the Sixth Respondent, on instructions, states that after receipt of the stop-work order from the Village Panchayat, no construction or development activity is taking place. He states that no trees are being felled in the property, which is a subject matter of this Petition. This position should continue until the next date.

4 If any of the Respondents, wish to file responses, they should do so by 14th June, by giving advance copies to the learned Counsel for the Petitioners. If the Petitioners wish to file a rejoinder, they should do so by 20th June.

5. Stand over to 24 June 2024.

VALMIKI MENEZES, J.

M. S. SONAK, J.