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

**WRIT PETITION NO. 1567 OF 2024**

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**Dipak S. Pawar**

**.. Petitioner**

**Versus**

**The State of Maharashtra & Anr.**

**.. Respondents**

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**Adv. Ashwin R. Kapadnis** for the Petitioner.

**Adv. A. I. Patel, Addl. G.P. a/w P. N. Diwan, AGP** for Respondent  
Nos. 1 and 2.

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**CORAM: B. P. COLABAWALLA &  
SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, JJ.**

**DATE: MARCH 13, 2024**

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**1.** The above Writ Petition is filed seeking a direction to the Respondents to decide the Petitioner's application dated 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 as expeditiously as possible.

**2.** Mr. Patel, the learned Addl. G.P. has tendered an affidavit in reply, in which, it is stated that a hearing has been fixed on 3<sup>rd</sup> April,

2024 when the Petitioner can appear before the authority and his application dated 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 shall be considered and decided.

3. We, accordingly dispose of the above Writ Petition by directing the Respondents to decide the application of the Petitioner dated 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2023, as expeditiously as possible, and in any event, within a period of three months from 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. The said application of the Petitioner shall be decided along with the application filed by Mr. Eknath Nivrutti Pawar and others [Petitioners in Writ Petition (St.) No. 24278 of 2023 now registered as Writ Petition No. 11094 of 2023].

4. The above Writ Petition is accordingly disposed of. No order as to costs.

5. This order will be digitally signed by the Private Secretary/ Personal Assistant of this Court. All concerned will act on production by fax or email of a digitally signed copy of this order.

[SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN,J.]

[B. P. COLABAWALLA, J.]