

Jvs.

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

PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO. 8 OF 2024

Capt. Dilip Vimalanand Kopikar	}	
(Retd.)	}	
versus		
Ld. Secretary Soil and Water	}	
Conservation Department,	}	
through its Chief Engineer & Anr.	}	Respondents

Mr. V. S. Bhadkamkar for the petitioner.

Mr. P. P. Kakade, Government Pleader
with Mr. O. A. Chandurkar, Additional
Government Pleader and Mr. R. A.
Salunkhe, AGP for State.

**CORAM: DEVENDRA KUMAR UPADHYAYA, CJ. &
ARIF S. DOCTOR, J.**

DATE: 30th JANUARY 2024

P.C.:

- 1.** Issue notice to the respondents, returnable on **12th March 2024**.
- 2.** Learned Government Pleader accepts notice and waives service on behalf of the respondents.
- 3.** Let an affidavit in reply be filed by the respondents within three weeks. Two weeks thereafter shall be available to the learned counsel for the petitioner to file rejoinder affidavit, if any.
- 4.** Stand over to **12th March 2024**.

5. On the next date, learned counsel for the petitioner shall explain as to under what provision the petitioner has been authorized by the Grampanchayat to file this petition on its behalf.

(ARIF S. DOCTOR, J.)

(CHIEF JUSTICE)