

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 18724 OF 2024

Prajyot Pralhad Parkale & Ors. ... Petitioners
versus
The State of Maharashtra & Ors. ... Respondents

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Mr.Suresh Pakale, Senior Advocate with Ms.Netra Tembe i/b.
Ms.Padmaja Malgaonkar for the Petitioners.
Mr.P.P.Kakade, Addl.GP with Ms.P.J.Gavhane, AGP for Respondent
No.1-State.

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**CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE
&
ASHWIN D. BHOBE, JJ.**

DATE : 16TH DECEMBER, 2024

P.C.:

1. **Issue notice to the Respondents**, returnable on 3rd February, 2025. The learned Addl.GP waives service of notice on behalf of Respondent No.1, State.

2. Let the affidavits in reply be filed, at least, ten days prior to the returnable date.

3. Since it is canvassed that Respondent No.4, the Contractor, has continued these Petitioners for a long time, we observe that those

Petitioners, who have worked for more than ten years with Respondent No.3, would be protected from removal or replacement by a contractual employee.

(ASHWIN D. BHOBE,J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)