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

PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO. 63 OF 2024

Prashant Raul and Ors.	}	Petitioners
versus		
The Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation & Ors.	}	Respondents

Ms. Ronita Bhattacharya-Bector for petitioner.

Mr. Kedar B. Dighe for respondent no. 1.

Mr. Vijay D. Patil for respondent no. 2.

Mr. Pralhad Paranjape with Mr. Rahul Punjabi and Mr. Yash Tembe for respondent no. 4.

Mr. P. P. Kakade, Government Pleader with Mr. O. A. Chandurkar, Additional Government Pleader and Ms. G. R. Raghuwanshi, AGP for respondents 5 & 6.

Mr. Ashutosh Kumbhakoni, Senior Advocate with Mr. Akshay Shinde for respondent no. 7.

**CORAM: DEVENDRA KUMAR UPADHYAYA, CJ. &
AMIT BORKAR, J.**

DATE: 13th AUGUST 2024

P.C.:

1. One of the stands taken by the Election Commissioner as also by the State authorities/Collector is that though the plot comprised in Survey No. 194 (Part) and 192 (Part) situated at Sector 29, Ravet, Pune is reserved as open space and forestation activity is to take place, however, no public access shall be permissible to the said forest to be developed on the said plot.

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2. Let the Collector, Pune file an additional affidavit giving details as to how if on an open space a forest is to be developed, general public can be denied access. The said additional affidavit shall be filed within two weeks. A week's time thereafter shall be available to the petitioners to file rejoinder affidavit, if any.

3. Stand over to **3rd September 2024.**

(AMIT BORKAR, J.)

(CHIEF JUSTICE)