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24-WP-1576-2025

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

24 WRIT PETITION NO. 1576 OF 2025

Prabhakar Narba Arsude

VERSUS

The Joint Registrar Co Operative Societies And Others

WITH

CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 2208 OF 2025

IN WP/1576/2025

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Mr. D. P. Palodkar h/f Mr. Shubham S. Khoche, Advocate for the
Petitioner.

Mr. P. D. Patil, AGP for Respondent-State.

Mr. A. D. Sonkawade Advocate for Respondent No.4.

Mr. Suhas R. Shirsat Advocate for Respondent No.5.

CORAM : KISHORE C. SANT, J.

DATE : 1st APRIL 2025

PC :-

1. Heard the learned Advocates for the respective parties.
2. This writ petition is filed challenging the judgment and order passed by the learned Revisional Authority i.e. the learned Divisional Joint Registrar Co-operative Societies Latur Division, Latur dated 23rd January 2025 passed in Revision Application No.24 of 2024.

3. It is the case of the petitioner, in short, that he was the office bearer and the director of Respondent No.4 Society. The re-audit was directed from the period of 2002 till 2017. Lateron, the respondent No.2 deleted the period from 2012 till 2017 arbitrarily. It is alleged that it is at the behest of the present office bearers. However, during the course of argument it is also accepted that subsequently re-audit is carried out even for the period of 2012 till 2017. The petitioner was issued with a show cause notice dated 20th May 2024 which was challenged by filing the revision. It is the matter of record that till now, the petitioner has not submitted even explanation to this notice and had challenged the order by filing revision application.

4. The petitioner made some submissions about the re-audit that can be done only for a period of five years preceding the order. If the period is beyond five years preceding the date of order, there can be only test audit and for that purpose, he relied on the circular dated 14th December 2015. This Court, however, is not concerned with this submission. For the present, this Court finds that it would be sufficient to dispose of the petition with observation that it is open for the petitioner to file

explanation to the show cause notice dated 20th May 2024. The authorities are, thereafter, free to take action as provided under law by giving sufficient notice to the petitioner, in case any action is to be taken.

5. With this, petition stands disposed off.

6. It is made clear that, the above observations are only in respect of the present petitioner.

7. Pending Civil Applications, if any, also stand disposed off.

[KISHORE C. SANT, J.]