



**IN THE NATIONAL LOK ADALAT PRESIDED OVER BY
HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE NEERAJ P. DHOTE,
HELD ON 13.09.2025
AT HIGH COURT LEGAL SERVICES SUB-COMMITTEE
AT AURANGABAD**

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FIRST APPEAL NO. 2257 OF 2021

Uttamrao s/o Dadarao Devade, (Died)
through LRs

1. Saraswati Uttamrao Devade,
Age : Major, Occu. Agri,
2. Ganpat Uttamrao Devade,
Age : Major, Occu. Agri,
3. Haribhau Uttamrao Devade,
Age : Major, Occu. Agri,
4. Narayan Uttamrao Devade,
Age : Major, Occu. Agri,
5. Pandurang Uttamrao Devade,
Age : Major, Occu. Agri,

R/o. Village Mangrul, Tq. Mantha,
District Jalna.

Appellants
[Original Claimants]

Versus

- 1] The State of Maharashtra,
Through the Collector, Jalna.
Having his office at Collector Office, Jalna.
- 2] The Special Land Acquisition Officer,
M.I.W. Jalna, Having his office at Collector Office, Jalna.
- 3] The Executive Engineer,
Lower Dudhana Project Division, Selu,
District Parbhani.
Since, this department is Abolished -

At present: Jalna Irrigation Department,
Jalna, Office at Motibagh, Jalna,
Tq. And Dist. Jalna.

... Respondents
[Original Respondents]

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Mr. D. M. Kakade – Advocate for the Appellants
Mr. A. M. Phule – AGP for State
Mr. Shyam C. Arora – Advocate for Respondent No. 3
Mr. Deepakkumar Dongre – Executive Engineer, Jalna Irrigation
Department, Jalna.

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ORDER : -

1. This Appeal is placed before today's National Lok Adalat with the consent of the parties.

2. The Appellant No. 1 is personally present, whereas; Appellant No. 2 appeared through Video Conference. Learned Advocate Mr. S. M. Kakde for the Appellants, Mr. A. M. Phule, learned AGP for the State, Mr. Shyam C. Arora, learned Advocate holding for Mr. Rahul A. Tambe, learned Advocate for Respondent No. 3 and Mr. Deepakkumar Dongre, Executive Engineer, Jalna Irrigation Department, Jalna, are present.

3. The parties have amicably settled the matter in terms of Compromise Pursis, which is taken on record and marked as "X" for the purpose of identification.

4. The learned Advocates appearing on behalf of both the parties/sides submit that, as far as interest under Sections 28 and 34 of the Land Acquisition Act awarded by the Special Land Acquisition Officer [for short 'SLAO'] as well as Reference Court, shall be as per the decision of the Full Bench of this Court in *State of Maharashtra Versus Kailash Shiva Rangari, 2016(4) ALL MR 513*, and the decision of the Single Bench of this Court in *The State of Maharashtra V/s Ramesh Tukaram Meshram, 2018 (1) ALL MR 645*. They have submitted that the impugned Award be modified to that extent as far as interest is concerned.

5. Considering the legal position in both the Judgments [supra], the impugned Award stands modified as follows.

- [i] Interest shall be calculated, if required, as per two Judgments in **Kailash Rangari** and **Ramesh Meshram** [supra].
- [ii] The Acquiring Body / State shall deposit the amount of compensation as per the modified Award within a period of twenty-four [24] months from the date of this Award.
- [iii] If the Acquiring Body commits breach in depositing the amount under this Award within a period of twenty-four

[24] months, in that case, the Claimants shall be entitled to statutory interest, excluding the period caused in filing the Appeal.

[iv] The amount deposited in this Court or which would be deposited in this Court shall be paid to the Claimants in terms of this Award, and excess amount, if any, shall be refunded to the Acquiring Body.

[v] The Appellants/Claimants are entitled to withdraw the amount after deposit by the Acquiring Body.

6. The Appeal stands disposed off in terms of the Compromise Pursis "X".

7. The Court Fees Refund Certificate shall be issued as per Rules.

8. Pending civil application/s, if any, stand/s disposed off.

**(Mrs. Yogita Thorat-
Kshirsagar)
Advocate
Member**

**(Kishor R. Chaudhari)
District Judge (Retd.)
Member**

**(Neeraj P. Dhote)
Judge
Head of the Panel**

Date: 13.09.2025
Place: Aurangabad