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

977 WRIT PETITION NO. 5794 OF 2025

**KEDAR GANESH KHANDERAY
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THROUGH SECRETARY AND ANOTHER**

AND

980 WRIT PETITION NO. 5797 OF 2025

**SAINATH ARJUN KHANDERAY
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA
THROUGH PRINCIPAL SECRETARY AND OTHERS**

AND

981 WRIT PETITION NO. 5798 OF 2025

**MAROTI ARJUN KHANDERAY
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THROUGH SECRETARY AND OTHERS**

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**CORAM : MANGESH S. PATIL &
Y.G. KHOBRADE, JJ.
DATE : 30.04.2025**

P.C. :-

1. The petitioners are challenging the order of invalidation dated 21.04.2025.

2. We have heard both the sides.

3. The impugned order has been passed by resorting to the vigilance inquiry report in the matter of Shreya Subhashrao Khandaray, a blood relative of the petitioners as is evident from paragraph no.3 of the impugned order. Shreya's claim was rejected and she together with one Nandini Dilipkumar Khandaray preferred writ petition no.7832/2020. By the order dated 09.12.2020 the order of the committee was quashed and set aside and she was held entitled to have a certificate of validity.

4. In the light of the fact that the impugned decision as also the decision in the matter of Shreya resorts to the same vigilance inquiry, for the self same reasons as have been recorded in the matter of Nandini and Shreya, the petitions are allowed. The impugned order is quashed and set aside. Each of these petitioners shall be issued with the certificates of validity of Koli Mahadev scheduled tribe which shall be co-terminus with the validities that the committee has decided to re-open.

[Y.G. KHOBRADE, J.]

[MANGESH S. PATIL, J.]