

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIRCUIT BENCH AT KOLHAPUR
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 9253 OF 2023

Dattaprasad Shrikrishna Thakur.

...Petitioner.

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and Another.

...Respondents.

*Sushant Janawar and Saurabh P. Tandale and Ruturaj Kadam for the Petitioner.
Mr. S. B. Kalel, AGP for the Respondent-State.*

**Coram : M. S. Karnik &
Sharmila U. Deshmukh, JJ.**

Date : October 14, 2025.

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1. There have been subsequent developments. The Brother of Petitioner, Vivek S. Thakur has been granted certificate of validity by the Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny Committee, Division Konkan as belonging to "Thakar" scheduled tribe on 3rd September 2025. In the light of law laid down by this Court in ***Apoorva Vinay Nichale v. Divisional Caste Certificate Scrutiny Committee***¹, the Petitioner being close blood relative, is entitled to the certificate as belonging to Thakar, scheduled tribe. The impugned order is, therefore, quashed and set aside. The Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny Committee,

1 2010 Mh.L.J. 401.

Division Konkan is directed to issue the certificate of validity in favour of the Petitioner within a period of four weeks from today.

2. Writ Petition stands disposed of.

[Sharmila U. Deshmukh, J.]

[M. S. Karnik, J.]