

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIRCUIT BENCH AT KOLHAPUR

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CONTEMPT PETITION NO. 568 OF 2025

Someshwar Sikshan Prasarak Mandal, Thr Secretary ... Petitioner

Versus

Ranjit Singh Deval & Ors.

... Respondents

Mr. Bhosale Dnyaneshwar for the Petitioner.
Mr. V. M. Mali, AGP for the Respondent-State.

Coram : M. S. Karnik &
Ajit B. Kadethankar, JJ.

Date : December 22, 2025.

P. C. :

1. Heard learned Counsel for the Petitioner.
2. The order, of which breach is alleged, is dated 13th August 2024, passed in Writ Petition No. 4996 of 2024 a/w Writ Petition No. 7608 of 2010. The following directions were issued:

"6. Accordingly, the following directions are issued:-

(a) The newly added respondent shall consider the petitioner's application dated 7th December 2023 in accordance with law on its own merits without being influenced by this communication within a period of eight weeks of receiving copy of this judgment. The decision taken shall be communicated to the petitioner."

3. Learned Counsel for the Petitioner referred to the order dated 3rd May 2010 passed in Writ Petition No. 3537 of 2010 concerning the same institution.
4. Learned AGP has placed on record a copy of the communication dated 29th August 2024, addressed to the Petitioner. By this communication, the Petitioner was informed that, for the reasons mentioned therein, the representation is rejected.
5. In our opinion, this constitutes sufficient compliance. If it is the submission of learned Counsel for the Petitioner that the communication dated 29th August 2024 is contrary to the order dated 3rd May 2010, such grievance may form the basis of a substantive petition challenging the order dated 29th August 2024 on its own merits.
6. Keeping the liberty of the Petitioner open to challenge the order dated 29th August 2024 on all permissible grounds, this Contempt Petition is disposed of, as we find that substantial compliance with the directions has been made.
7. Contempt Petition stands disposed of. Pending connected Interim Applications, if any, stand disposed of.

[Ajit B. Kadethankar, J.]

[M. S. Karnik, J.]