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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION NO. 17470 OF 2024

Dr.J.J.Madgum Trust and anr.

... Petitioners

Versus

Shivaji University Kolhapur and anr.

.... Respondents

Mr. D.V.Sutar a/w Ms.Kavita D. Vijapure, for the Petitioners.

Mr. Vikram Walawalkar, for the Respondent No.1.

**CORAM : M.S.KARNIK AND
N.R.BORKAR, JJ.**

DATE : 17th JULY 2025

P.C. :

1. Shri Walawalkar, the learned advocate for respondent No.1 made an attempt to justify why the committee has not been appointed under Statute No. 216(A) of the Shivaji University Act, 1974 to conduct preliminary enquiry against respondent no. 2. However, we find it is the statutory obligation on the part of the University to appoint the committee. We, therefore, direct respondent no.1 to appoint a committee as per request letter dated 07/10/2023 and reminder dated 11/03/2024 under Statute No. 216(A) of the Shivaji University Act, 1974 to conduct preliminary enquiry against respondent no. 2 within a period of 4 weeks from today.

2. The petition is disposed of.

(N.R.BORKAR, J.)

(M.S.KARNIK, J.)