

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

WRIT PETITION NO.5699 OF 2024

Smt. Sunita Bapu Jagtap ... Petitioner

Versus

The Chairman, Maharashtra State
Road Transport Corporation Ltd. and
Ors. ... Respondents

Mr. Akhil Khupade, Swapnil Jadhav for Petitioners.

Mr. Prathamesh Mandlik, i/b. Nitesh Bhutekar for Respondent
Nos.1 to 3.

Mr. A.A. Alaspurkar, AGP for Respondent No.4 – State.

**CORAM : M.S. Sonak &
Advait M. Sethna, JJ.**

DATED : 3 October 2025

P.C.:-

1. Despite our order dated 4 July 2025 by which two weeks' time was granted to the Respondents to file the reply, no reply is filed till date. The learned counsel for the Petitioner is justified in complaining about the delay in filing of its reply. Still as last opportunity, time for filing reply is extended upto 16 October 2025. If no reply is filed by 16 October 2025, we will proceed on the premise that the Respondents admit the averments in the Petition. Further, the

Managing Director or the officer responsible for filing reply will have to pay cost of Rs.10,000/- personally to the Petitioner, if the reply is not filed and the matter is delayed any further.

2. If the petitioner wishes to file rejoinder, the same should be filed and served by 7 November 2025. List the matter on **14 November 2025**.

3. The learned counsel for the Petitioner tenders a copy of this petition to the learned AGP which, the learned AGP very graciously accept in the presence of the Court.

(Advait M. Sethna, J)

(M.S. Sonak, J.)