

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

WRIT PETITION NO.1269 OF 2025

Pandharinath Dilip Kanojia & Ors.Petitioners

Vs.

The State of Maharashtra through
The Secretary, School Education
Department & Ors.Respondents

Sumit S. Kate, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. K.S. Thorat, B Panel Advocate, for the Respondent – State.

**CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE
&
ASHWIN D. BHOBE, JJ.**

DATE : 28th JANUARY, 2025

P.C. :-

1. Despite notice was issued on 26th November, 2024 and seven weeks were granted to file a reply, even after nine weeks, the reply has not been filed. This matter is listed today and, yet, the AGP submits that time may be granted.

2. We could have imposed costs on the State Government. However, since this Petition is in 'await service' category to the extent of Respondent Nos.3, 4 and 5, that we are granting one last chance to the State to file its reply on or before 10th February, 2025, failing which, cost of Rs. 25,000/- would be imposed on the Secretary School Education Department.

3. List the Petition on 18th February, 2025.

(ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)