

Prajakta Vartak

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 6551 OF 2024

Mohd. Shakir Ansari & Ors.

...Petitioners

Vs

The Chairman, Apex Grievance
Redressal Committee & Ors.

...Respondents

Mr. S. G. Kudle with Mr. Kishor Jadhav for Petitioners.

Smt. P. H. Kantharia for AGRC/Respondent No.1.

Mr. Abhijit Kulkarni with Ms. Sweta Shah for Respondent Nos.2 & 3/SRA.

Mr. Prashant Nakati for Respondent No.4.

CORAM: G. S. KULKARNI &
ARIF S. DOCTOR, JJ.
DATE: 19 JUNE 2025.

P.C.

1. After hearing learned counsel for the parties at length, what we find is that the grievance of the petitioners is that the appeal that has been filed before the Apex Grievance Redressal Committee (“**AGRC**”) is pending and is not being heard.

2. Mr. Kudle, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioners being slum dwellers are prejudiced by the failure of the AGRC to hear and dispose of the appeal.

3. Smt. Kantharia, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent no.1 submits that the AGRC has convened a meeting tomorrow and on 27 June 2025. She submits that the petitioners may make an application to the AGRC by way of praecipe to take up the appeal for hearing.

4. After hearing the submissions advanced on behalf of the parties, we find it appropriate to dispose of the present petition, with directions to the AGRC to take up the appeal for hearing and decide the same finally as expeditiously as possible and in any event within a period of four weeks from today. We have not expressed any opinion on the merits of the rival contentions.
5. The petition is accordingly disposed of in the aforesaid terms. No order as to costs.
6. All contentions of the parties are expressly kept open.

(ARIF S. DOCTOR, J.)

(G. S. KULKARNI, J.)