

Priya Soparkar

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CONTEMPT PETITION NO. 400 OF 2024

Rachana Tushar Patil ...Petitioner
Versus
The State of Maharashtra and ors. ...Respondents

Mr. Narendra V. Bandiwadekar, Senior Advocate with Mr. Vinayak Kumbhar and Mr. Rajendra Khaire i/by Ms. Ashwini N. Bandiwadekar, for the Petitioner.
Ms. Kavita N. Solunke, Addl. GP with Ms. Reena A. Salunkhe, for the Respondent No.1/State.
Mr. P. V. Dhopatkar, for the Respondent No.4.
Mr. Rajshekhar Govilkar, Senior Advocate with Ms. Shaba N. Khan i/by Mr. Mihir Govilkar, for the Respondent No.5.

**CORAM: SUMAN SHYAM &
MANJUSHA DESHPANDE, JJ.**

DATED: 29th SEPTEMBER, 2025.

PC:-

1. After hearing the arguments of the parties at some length, we are inclined to defer the matter till 10th October, 2025, for further consideration.

2. In the meantime, having regard to the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case, more particularly the fact that the Petitioner cannot be held responsible for lapses, if any, during her initial appointment, the learned AGP to obtain specific instructions from the Departmental Authority and appraise this Court if, even

at this stage, there is any scope to accommodate the Petitioner against any vacancy including one meant for OBC category .

3. The Management is also granted liberty to pursue the matter with the concerned authority.

(MANJUSHA DESHPANDE, J.)

(SUMAN SHYAM, J.)