

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
WRIT PETITION NO. 5821 OF 2025**

Phoenix Education Society, Mumbai
Through its President Mr. Devendra Jondhale ...Petitioner.
V/s
State of Maharashtra and Others ... Respondents.

Mr. Anukul Seth, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. S.P. Kamble, Assistant Government Pleader for respondent nos. 1
and 2.
Mr. Shekhar Jagtap, Advocate for respondent no.4.

**CORAM : A. S. CHANDURKAR &
M. M. SATHAYE, JJ.**

DATE : 30th APRIL, 2025

P.C. :

1] The Petitioner intends to start a new Law College. It has been granted permission by the State Government on 15/07/2024 through its Department of Higher and Technical Education. The University of Mumbai has granted its permission on 22/10/2024. The Petitioner has accordingly made its application to the Bar Council of India on 26/12/2024. Since the necessary inspection has not yet been undertaken, the petitioner has approached this Court.

2] The learned counsel for the Respondent no.4 – Bar Council of India on instructions submits that the date for inspection of proposed new Colleges is extended till 31/05/2025. He further submits that on payment of late fees, if any, necessary inspection can be undertaken.

3] In view of the aforesaid, subject to the Petitioner paying necessary late fees as applicable and undertaking other requisite compliances, the

Bar Council of India shall take steps to inspect the proposed College at the earliest and in any event, prior to 31/05/2025.

4] With the aforesaid directions, the writ petition is disposed of. All concerned to act on duly authenticated or digitally signed copy of this order.

(M. M. SATHAYE, J.)

(A. S. CHANDURKAR, J.)