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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 9680 OF 2025

CREDAI Nashik Metro and Anr.

... Petitioners

V/s.

State of Maharashtra and Ors.

... Respondents

Mr. Pralhad Paranjape with Aditya Mhase and Rahul Punjabi for the
Petitioners

Ms. Savita Ganoo with Mr. D.P. Singh for Respondent No.3

Ms. Jaya Bagwe for Respondent No. 4

Mr. O.A. Chandurkar, Addl.G.P. with Ms. Apurva Thipsay, 'B' Panel Counsel for
Respondent Nos. 1 and 2

CORAM : ALOK ARADHE, CJ. AND
SANDEEP V. MARNE, J.

DATE : 16 JULY 2025

Oral Order (Per Chief Justice) :

1. With consent of the learned Counsel for the parties, heard finally.

2. In this Writ Petition, the Petitioners, *inter-alia*, prays for a direction to Respondent Nos.2 and 3 to decide the proposals received by them for seeking Environmental Clearance ("EC") in Nashik area by considering the current Comprehensive Environmental Pollution Index ("CEPI") score of Nashik area as updated/published by Respondent No.4- Maharashtra Pollution Control Board ("MPCB"), which is 55.43.

3. Learned Counsel for the Petitioners submits that the issue involved in this Writ Petition is squarely covered by an order dated 30th April 2025, passed by this Court in Writ Petition No. 4803 of 2024. The aforesaid submission has not been disputed on behalf of the Respondents.

4. In view of the aforesaid and for the reasons assigned by this Court in the order dated 30th April 2025, passed in Writ Petition No. 4803 of 2025, the present Writ Petition is disposed of with the following directions :

The proposals made by the Petitioners seeking Environmental Clearance from Respondent Nos. 2 and 3 be considered in accordance with law on the basis of the current CEPI score of the Nashik area as updated/published by Respondent No.4 - MPCB within a period of eight weeks from the date of uploading of the order.

5. It is clarified that this Court has not expressed any opinion on merits of the matter.

(SANDEEP V. MARNE, J.)

(CHIEF JUSTICE)