

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

WRIT PETITION NO.16022 OF 2025

Bharatiya Popular Party (BPP)
Through its General Secretary-Harish Shetty ...Petitioner
Versus
Election Commission of India
Through its Under Secretary-Manish Kumar ...Respondent

Ms. Rohini P. K. i/b Mr. Sohail Ali for the Petitioner.

Ms. Naira Jeejbhoy a/w Mr. Vinay Nair, Mr. Tanmay Pawar and
Mr. Ayush i/b Mr. Arun Panickar for the Respondent.

***CORAM : REVATI MOHITE DERE &
SANDESH D. PATIL, JJ.***

DATE : 23rd DECEMBER 2025

P.C. :

1. By this petition, the petitioner seeks a direction to the respondent-Election Commission of India to take a final decision on the petitioner's application dated 30th September 2024 for registration of 'Bharatiya Popular Party' as a political party under Section 29A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

2. The grievance of the petitioner is that despite all documents having been submitted to the respondent-authority vide letter dated 10th February 2025, the petitioner's application has not been processed.

3. Learned counsel for the respondent-Election Commission of India disputes the said statement. She states that some information is not forthcoming from the petitioner and that the respondent had addressed a letter to that effect seeking the said information. The said information is sought vide letter dated 30th January 2025.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that all information is supplied.

5. Be that as it may, we expect the petitioner to submit all documents/information as sought for by the respondent-Election Commission of India, within one week from today, if not furnished.

6. Learned counsel for the respondent-Election Commission of India, on instructions states, that the respondent-Election Commission of India will take a decision on the petitioner's application, within six weeks, thereafter. Statement accepted.

7. In view of the aforesaid direction, nothing survives for further consideration in the present petition. Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

All concerned to act on the authenticated copy of this order.

SANDESH D. PATIL, J.

REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.