

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 16191 OF 2025

Anirudha Manohar Khopade & Ors.

...Petitioners

Vs

The Union Of India Throu. Sec.

Competent Authority and Land Acquisition & Ors.

...Respondents

Mr. Sanjeeva Deshpande, Senior Advocate i/b Mr. Shreyas Deshpande for
Petitioners.

Mr. Ashutosh Misra with Ms. Shazia Ansari i/b. Mr. A. A. Ansari for Respondent
No.1/UOI.

Mr. Rakesh Singh for Respondent No.2.

Ms. M. S. Bane, AGP for State/Respondent Nos.3 & 4.

CORAM: G. S. KULKARNI &
AARTI SATHE, JJ.

DATE: 11 DECEMBER 2025.

P.C.

1. We have heard Mr. Sanjeeva Deshpande, learned senior advocate for the
petitioner.

2. Raising a contention under Section 94 of the Right to Fair Compensation
and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act,
2013, the grievance of the petitioners is as to what is set out in paragraph 5 of the
writ petition, that the land acquisition award was passed behind back of the
petitioners. Let this position be clarified by the respondents.

3. As fairly stated before the Court on behalf of the petitioners, the petitioners
are interested in having the entire land belonging to them, along with the
godown, being acquired, and not merely a part of the godown which stands
acquired under the award dated November 2023. As the memo of the petition is

very brief, let a para-wise reply affidavit containing the appropriate facts be placed on record, so that the parties may be heard and further appropriate orders may be passed. The reply affidavit be served on the respondents on or before 15 December 2025.

4. List the petition on **17 December 2025 (F.O.B.)**.

5. Till the adjourned date of hearing, Mr. Singh, learned counsel for respondent no.2/NHAI has made a statement that the NHAI will not take any coercive measures.

(AARTI SATHE, J.)

(G. S. KULKARNI, J.)