

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 13388 OF 2025
IN
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO. 210 OF 2014

Dwarkanath Radhakrishna
Banavlikar And Anr. ... Applicants

IN THE MATTER BETWEEN

Arvind Jagannath Joshi ... Petitioner

Versus

State of Maharashtra And Ors. ... Respondents

Mr. A. S. Khandeparkar, Senior Advocate a/w Mrs. Shakuntala Mudbidri & Mr. S. M. Raikar, Mr. Farhan Shaikh & Mr. Nihir Dedhia, for the Applicants.

Mr. B. V. Samant, Addl. G.P. a/w Mr. S. P. Kamble, AGP, for the Respondent – State.

Mr. Sambhaji Ghorpade, Executive Engineer (Electrical) PWD, Presidency Division, Mumbai, is present.

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

DATE : 28TH NOVEMBER, 2025.

P.C. :-

1. By this interim application, the Applicants seek a direction to the Respondent Nos.1 to 3 to provide lift facility to the second floor of the building in old Secretariat Annexe where MRT is situated.

2. Learned Counsel for the Applicants inform this Court that the lift is functional for the first floor and third floor, however the lift does not stop on the second floor. Learned Senior Counsel for the Applicants states that since the lift does not stop on the second floor where MRT is situated great hardship and difficulties are caused to the litigants and lawyers as each floor is equivalent to about two floors. We are informed today that the lift is non-functional since June-2025.

3. Mr. Sambhaji Ghorpade, Executive Engineer (Electrical), PWD, Presidency Division, Mumbai, is personally present in Court. On our request, he states that the lift issue will be resolved within twelve days from today. Statement accepted.

4. In this view of the matter, it will be appropriate to direct the Respondents to ensure that the lifts are made functional within twelve days.

5. Stand over to 11th December 2025.

(SANDESH D. PATIL, J.)

(REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.)