

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION**

**WRIT PETITION NO. 3260 OF 2024
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION (L) NO. 27506 OF 2024
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION (L) NO. 27075 OF 2024**

Agri Sprayers T.I.M. Association & anr. ... Petitioners
Versus
The State of Maharashtra and ors. Respondents

**WITH
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO. 25 OF 2025
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 1337 OF 2025
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 1338 OF 2025
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 1340 OF 2025**

Umesh Shankarrao Bhole .. Petitioner
Versus
The State of Maharashtra & ors. Respondents

Ms. Druti Datar, for Petitioners in WP/3260/2024.

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**CORAM : ALOK ARADHE, CJ &
M.S.KARNIK, J.**

DATE : 06th MAY, 2025

P.C. :

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1. We have heard learned counsel for the parties on the prayer for interim relief. After hearing learned counsel for the parties, we deem it appropriate to modify the ad-interim order dated 07/08/2024 as follows:

(i) Respondent no.3 shall be at liberty to make payment of 50% of the amount to respondents no. 7 to 10 namely Contractors who have already supplied the cotton bags.

(ii) The aforesaid payment shall be subject to the outcome of the writ petition.

(iii) Learned counsel for respondents no. 7 to 10 shall furnish the undertaking after receipt of the amount within one week that they have received the amount subject to further orders which may be passed in the writ petition and shall abide by the outcome of the writ petition.

To the aforesaid extent, ad-interim order dated 07/08/2024 passed by this Court in the writ petition is modified.

2. At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner prays for an adjournment to enable him to engage an advocate to argue the matter.
3. List after ensuing summer vacation.

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4. Learned counsel for the petitioners prays for and is granted four weeks further time to enable her to move an application seeking amendment of the writ petition.
5. List after ensuing summer vacation.

(M.S.KARNIK, J.)

(CHIEF JUSTICE)