



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

56 WRIT PETITION NO. 12563 OF 2025

1. Tanuja Tanaji Gaganbone,
Age : 20 Years, Occ. Student,
R/o. At Post Hasori (Bk)
Tq. Nilanga Dist. Latur
 2. Vishnu Tanaji Gaganbone,
Age : 19 Years, Occ. Student,
R/o. At Post Hasori (Bk)
Tq Nillanga Dist. Latur
- .. Petitioners

VERSUS

1. The State of Maharashtra,
Through its Secretary,
Tribal Development Mantralaya
Mumbai.
2. The Scheduled Tribe
Certificate Scrutiny Committee,
Kinwat Head Quarter Chh. Sambhajinagar.
3. The Commissioner and Competent Authority,
State Common Entrance Test Cell,
8th Floor, New excelsior Building,
A.K. Nayak Marg, Fort,
Mumbai – 400 001
4. The Principal,
Pimpri Chinchwad College of Engineering,
Sector 26 Pradhikar, Nigdi, Pune 411 044

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Advocate for the Petitioners : Adv. Sonali G. Somwanshi h/f Mr.
A.S. Bayas Adv. Abdulla Shaikh
AGP for Respondent/State: Mr. P. K. Lakhotiya

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CORAM : SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE AND
ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, JJ.

DATED : FEBRUARY 09, 2026

ORAL ORDER (PER ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J):-

1. Heard.
2. The tribe claims of the petitioners of belonging to “Koli Mahadev” Scheduled Tribe are pending before the respondent/Scrutiny Committee since 7.3.2022 & 19.10.2024 respectively. This Court, by an order dated 10th October 2025, has already protected the admissions of the petitioners.
3. Despite service of notice none appeared for respondent Nos. 3 and 4.
4. In that view of the matter, we direct the respondent No.2/Tribe Committee to decide the tribe claims of the petitioners of belonging to “Koli Mahadev” Scheduled Tribe as expeditiously as possible and preferably within a period of six weeks from today.
5. Till the tribe claim of the petitioners are decided, respondent Nos.3 and 4 shall not disturb the admissions of the petitioners.
6. With these directions, the Writ Petition stands disposed of.

(ABASAHEB D. SHINDE)
JUDGE

(SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE)
JUDGE