



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

104 WRIT PETITION NO. 10741 OF 2022

PADMATAI CHINTAMANI MAHARAJ

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THROUGH DISTRICT COLLECTOR
AND OTHERS

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Mr. Mrigesh D. Narwadkar, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. B. A. Shinde, AGP for Respondent-State.

Mr. S. S. Gangakhedkar, Advocate for Respondent Nos.4 and 5.

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WITH

CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 10335 OF 2025
IN CA/7506/2025

AMRUT SIDDHA MAHARAJ AND ANOTHER

VERSUS

PADMATAI CHINTAMANI MAHARAJ DIED HER LRS SWANAND
CHINTAMANI MAHARAJ AND OTHERS

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Mr. Shailendra S. Gangakhedkar, Advocate for Applicant.

Mr. B. A. Shinde, AGP for Respondent-State.

Mr. M. D. Narwadkar, for the Petitioner in WP.

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CORAM : SIDDHESHWAR S. THOMBRE, J.

DATE : 18th FEBRUARY, 2026

PC.:-

1. Heard learned Advocates for the respective parties.
2. Mr. Mrigesh Narwadkar, learned Advocate for the Petitioner submits that during the pendency of the petition, the original Petitioner-Smt. Padmatai Chintamani Maharaj has expired and her legal heirs have already been brought on record.

3. Learned Advocate for the Respondent has filed objections in that regard. However, in view of the fact that Smt. Padmatai Chintamani Maharaj is no more and without entering into the merits of the matter, in my opinion, the matter deserves to be relegated to the Sub-Divisional Officer, Vasmat.

4. Accordingly, the order dated 19.08.2022 passed by the learned Maharashtra Revenue Tribunal, Aurangabad in Case No.98-B-2020-Hingoli as well as the order dated 18.10.2005 passed by the Deputy Collector (Imam Abolition), Parbhani and order dated 13.12.2017, the Sub-Divisional Officer, Vasmat are hereby quashed and set aside.

5. Hence, the present petition is disposed of.

6. The Sub-Divisional Officer, Vasmat shall consider the objections of all parties and decide the matter afresh in accordance with law, after granting an opportunity of hearing to all concerned and without being influenced by the earlier orders.

7. All contentions of the parties are kept open.

8. In view of disposal of the writ petition, the pending civil application does not survive and stands disposed of accordingly.

(SIDDHESHWAR S. THOMBRE, J.)