



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

WRIT PETITION NO. 26 OF 2026

**SUNITA VANA SHEVARE ALIAS SUNITA DOULAT SONAWANE
VERSUS
STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS**

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Advocate for the Petitioner : Mr. Chandrakant P. Patil and
Mr. Presh B. Patil
AGP for Respondent/State : Mr. Madhukar A. Aher

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**CORAM : SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE &
ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, JJ.**

DATE : 16.02.2026

PER COURT (ABASAHEB D. SHINDE,J.) :

1. Heard.
2. By this writ petition the petitioner is seeking expeditious disposal of his tribe claim of belonging to 'Koli Malhar ' scheduled tribe which is pending with the respondent No.5 – Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny Committee since 14.07.2025, so also challenging the communication dated 26.12.2025 by which the respondent Nos.3 and 4 have proposed to cancel the allotment of flat in favour of the petitioner on the ground of non-submission of tribe validity certificate in terms of allotment letter.

3. Considering the same, we direct the respondent No.5 – Scrutiny Committee to decide the tribe claim of the petitioner as expeditiously as possible and preferably within a period of three months from today. Till the tribe claim of the petitioner is decided, respondent Nos.3 and 4 shall maintain *status quo* as regard the flat allotted in favour of the petitioner. With these directions, the writ petition stands disposed of.

(ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J.)

(SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE, J.)

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