



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

946 WRIT PETITION NO. 1907 OF 2026

SACHIN BANSI GANDHALE AND ANOTHER

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THROUGH SECRETARY AND ANOTHER

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Advocate for the Petitioner : Mr. Bolkar Yogesh B.

AGP/APP for Respondent/State : Mr. P.K. Lakhotiya

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

DATE : 18.02.2026

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

. Heard.

2. By this Writ Petition, the petitioners are seeking expeditious disposal of the tribe claims of belonging to 'Koli Mahadev' Scheduled Tribe which are pending since 28.07.2013 and 07.08.2025 respectively.

3. Considering the fact that the petitioner No.2 is desirous of taking further education and is in a need of validity certificate, we direct the respondent No.2/Scrutiny Committee to decide the tribe claim of the petitioners as expeditiously as possible and preferably by the end of June 2026.

4. With these directions, the Writ Petition stands disposed of.

(ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J.)

(SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE, J.)