

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

932 WRIT PETITION NO. 2133 OF 2026

VILAS NAGORAO BATTEWAD

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THROUGH ITS SECRETARY AND
ANOTHER

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Mr. Sunil Mahadevappa Vibhute, Advocate for the Petitioner
Ms. B. B. Gunjal, AGP for Respondent-State

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

DATED : 25/02/2026

P. C. :

1. Heard.
2. The appeal filed by the petitioner challenging the order dated 25/01/2012 refusing to issue a caste certificate is stated to have been pending before the respondent-Scrutiny Committee since 06/12/2024.
3. In view of the above, we direct respondent No. 2 – Scrutiny Committee to decide the said appeal within a period of eight weeks from today.
4. With these directions, the writ petition stands disposed of.

(ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J.) (SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE, J.)