



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

WRIT PETITION NO.2201 OF 2026

**SARTHAK BHAGWAN MUDIRAJ
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THROUGH
ITS SECRETARY AND ANOTHER**

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Advocate for the Petitioner : Mr. Shubham R. Nikam h/f.
Mr. Boinwad Omgashad B. and Adv. Chinchole Ghanshyam K.
AGP for Respondents: Ms. B.B. Gunjal

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

DATE : 26.02.2026

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

1. Heard.
2. This petition has been filed for a limited purpose of seeking direction to the respondent No.2 – Scrutiny Committee to decide the tribe claim of the petitioner of belonging to ‘Koli Mahadev’ scheduled tribe which is pending before respondent No.2 – Scrutiny Committee since 13.01.2023.
3. Considering the fact that the tribe claim of the petitioner is pending since last three years, we direct the respondent No.2 –

Scrutiny Committee to decide the tribe claim of the petitioner as expeditiously as possible and preferably within a period of six (6) months from today. With this direct, the writ petition stands disposed of.

(ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J.)

(SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE, J.)

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