



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

939 WRIT PETITION NO. 3260 OF 2026

Sanchita Mahendra Chavhan

VERSUS

State Of Maharashtra Thr. Secretary And Ors.

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Mr. O. D. Tatawad h/f. Mr. Chandrakant R. Thorat, Advocate for the
Petitioner

Mr. P. S. Patil, AGP for Respondents/State

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

DATED : 27TH MARCH 2026

PER COURT (Abasaheb D. Shinde J.) :-

1. Heard.
2. The tribe claim of the petitioner of belonging to 'Koli Mahadev', Scheduled Tribe is pending with Respondent No.2-Scrutiny Committee since 20.08.2025 and therefore the petitioner is seeking direction that the same be directed to be decided expeditiously.
3. Since the petitioner is prosecuting the studies with Respondent No.3-College and apprehends coercive action for non-submission of validity certificate, we direct Respondent No.2-Scrutiny Committee to decide the tribe claim of the petitioner as expeditiously as possible and preferably by the end of July 2026.

4. Till the tribe claim is decided Respondent No.3-College shall not disturb the admission of the petitioner.

5. Needless to state that the protection granted by this Court will operate only till the tribe claim of the petitioner is decided. The petitioner shall not claim any equity.

6. With this direction writ Petitions stands disposed of.

[ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J.]

[SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE, J.]