



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

953 WRIT PETITION NO. 4664 OF 2026

SAMABAI SHAHUJI GHUMANWAD ALIAS SAMABAI ROHIDAS
MIRGEWAD

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THROUGH SECRETARY AND
OTHERS

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Mr. Deepak D Choudhari And Ramesh B More, Advocate for the
Petitioner

Mr. P. S. Patil, AGP for Respondent-State

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

DATED : 28/04/2026

P. C. : (PER : ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J.)

1. At the outset, the learned counsel for the petitioner seeks leave to correct the nomenclature of Respondent No.2. Leave is granted. The amendment shall be carried out forthwith.

2. Heard.

3. By this petition, the petitioner seeks a direction for expeditious disposal of her tribe claim of belonging to the "Koli Mahadev" Scheduled Tribe, which has been pending before the Respondent/Scrutiny Committee since 01/12/2022.

4. Considering that the petitioner is functioning as the Sarpanch of Gram Panchayat, Ghatnandra, and requires validity, we direct the Respondent/Scrutiny Committee to decide the tribe claim of the petitioner as expeditiously as possible and in any case, within a period of three months from today.

5. With these directions, the writ petition stands disposed of.

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