

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIRCUIT BENCH AT KOLHAPUR
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 479 OF 2026

Ratnamala Deepak Mali and Others.

...Petitioners.

Versus

Education Officer (Primary) and Another.

...Respondents.

Mr. Anant Wadgaonkar for the Petitioner.

Mr. A. A. Naik, AGP for the Respondent-State.

**Coram : R. G. Avachat &
Ajit B. Kadethankar, JJ.**

Date : February 20, 2026.

P. C. :

1. Grievance of the Petitioner is that proposal seeking approval to the Petitioner-employee is pending with Education Officer, Zilla Parishad, Solapur. He would submit that directions may be given to the Education Officer to decide the said proposal within a time-bound manner.
2. Learned AGP states that Education Officer shall decide the said proposal on its own merits.
3. In view of this, we dispose of this petition with a direction to the Education Officer, Zilla Parishad, Solapur to decide the approval proposal filed by the Petitioners within a period of 16 weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Proposal shall be decided on its

own merits and if necessary the Petitioners shall be given an opportunity of hearing and also an opportunity to remove deficiencies, if any, in the proposal. All contentions are kept open.

4. Writ petition stands disposed of.

[Ajit B. Kadethankar, J.]

[R. G. Avachat, J.]