

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 651 OF 2026

Matoshri Ishwaramma Vidyalaya And Junior College ...Petitioner
Thr Its Principal Nandini V Gaikwad
Versus

The State Of Maharashtra And
Thr Principal Secretary And Others ...Respondents

Mr. Sarang S. Aradhye (Through VC) a/w. Adv. Dnyaneshwari S. Utpat &
Adv. Shantanu Gurav, Advocate for petitioner.
Mr. Sanjay Rayrikar, AGP for respondent nos. 1 to 3-State.

**Coram : Madhav J. Jamdar &
Pravin S. Patil, JJ.**

Date : April 1, 2026.

P. C. :

1. Heard Mr. Aradhye, learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner,
and Mr. Rayrikar, learned AGP appearing for respondent Nos. 1 to 3–
State.

2. By the present Writ Petition, the petitioner has sought the
following relief in terms of prayer clause (b), which reads thus:

*(b) That by appropriate Writ, Orders as well
as directions of this Hon'ble Court, the Respondents
more particularly the Respondent No. 3 Divisional
Secretary Maharashtra State Board of Secondary
and Higher Secondary Education/Examination,
Pune Divisional Board, Pune be ordered and
directed to continue the Examination Centre being*

Centre No. 536 of the Petitioner for conducting 12th Standard Examinations scheduled in the Second Week of February 2026;

3. However, as the 12th Standard examinations have already been conducted, the present petition has become infructuous.

4. Mr. Aradhya, learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner, submits that certain directions may be required with regard to examinations to be conducted in future.

5. On instructions, Mr. Rayrikar, learned AGP appearing for respondent Nos. 1 to 3, states that the petitioner's junior college was not notified as an examination centre for conducting the 12th Standard examination conducted in February 2026 only on the ground that there was no requisite number of students. He further submits that if the requisite number of students are available in the ensuing academic year, the petitioner's junior college shall be considered for nomination as an examination centre for conducting the 12th Standard examination.

6. Accordingly, the present Writ Petition is disposed of in terms of the statement made by the learned AGP on behalf of respondent Nos. 1 to 3.

[Pravin S. Patil, J.]

[Madhav J. Jamdar, J.]