

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

WRIT PETITION NO.799 OF 2026

Vilas Mahadev Sutar & Ors.

...Petitioners

Versus

The Union of India & Ors.

...Respondents

Mr. Mohan Jaykar a/w Rishi Patodia & Aditya Ghadage i/b Akshay Kulkarni, for the Petitioners.

Mr. Vijay Killedar (Through Video Conferencing), for Respondent No.1-UOI.

Mr. Sagar Varma a/w Twinkal P. Kotawadekar, for Respondent No.2.

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

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

Date: March 25, 2026

P.C.:

1. Mr. Varma, learned Counsel appearing for Respondent No.2 tenders an Affidavit-in-Reply.
2. Mr. Naik, learned AGP, states that Affidavit of Respondent No.3 will be filed within a period of 2 days from today.
3. Stand over to **30th March 2026 at 02:30 pm.**

[Pravin S. Patil, J.]

[Madhav J. Jamdar, J.]