

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 1657 OF 2026

Vasantdada Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Industry Ltd , Sangli

VERSUS

The Assistant Provident Fund Commissioner Kolhapur

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Mr. Sanadiip Mutaalik a/w Ms. Simran Sameena and Ms. Ketaki S.
Advocate for Petitioner.

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CORAM : SACHIN S. DESHMUKH, J.

DATE : 5th MAY, 2026

P. C. :

1. Leave to amend. Amendment to be carried out forthwith.
2. Pursuant to the order under challenge, the coercive steps are being taken by attaching the bank account of the Petitioner, thereby causing the urgency to seek interim relief.
3. Learned counsel for the Petitioner to show bonafide has made a statement across the bar that 50% of the amount as directed by the order under challenge shall be deposited with the concerned authority within a period of two weeks from today.
4. The said statement is accepted as an undertaking to this Court. As such, the order under Section 14A shall stand stayed, till the disposal of the appeal pending before the Appellate Tribunal.

5. The account of the Petitioner shall be defreezed forthwith, and thereupon, the Petitioner shall deposit the amount with the Authority within a period of two weeks, failing which this order shall stand revoked.
6. The deposit of amount shall be subject to final outcome of appeal and without prejudice to contentions of the parties.
7. The Petition is disposed of with the aforesaid terms.
8. Needless to state, failure to comply with the aforesaid terms shall result in revoking this order and shall further entail restore order under Section 14A freezing the account of Petitioner.

[SACHIN S. DESHMUKH, J.]