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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 2068 OF 2021
IN
WRIT PETITION NO. 2561 OF 2015

Pune Municipal Corporation & Ors. .. Applicants

Versus

Viom Infra Network Maharashtra Ltd. & Anr. .. Respondents

WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.2050 OF 2021
IN
WRIT PETITION NO. 417 OF 2017

Pune Municipal Corporation & Ors. .. Applicants

Versus

Ascend Telecom Infrastructure Private Limited .. Respondent

WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.2057 OF 2021
IN
WRIT PETITION NO. 7327 OF 2009

Pune Municipal Corporation & Anr. .. Applicants

Versus

Idea Cellular Limited & Ors. .. Respondents

WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.2052 OF 2021
IN
WRIT PETITION NO. 2698 OF 2017

Pune Municipal Corporation & Ors. .. Applicants

Versus

Tata Teleservices (Maharashtra) Limited & Anr. .. Respondents

WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.2070 OF 2021
IN
WRIT PETITION NO. 557 OF 2015

Pune Municipal Corporation & Anr. .. Applicants

Versus

Idea Cellular Limited & Anr. .. Respondents

WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.2054 OF 2021
IN
WRIT PETITION NO.2515 OF 2017

Pune Municipal Corporation & Ors. .. Applicants

Versus

Tower Vision India Private Limited & Anr. .. Respondents

WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.2053 OF 2021
IN
WRIT PETITION NO.1520 OF 2017

Pune Municipal Corporation & Ors. .. Applicants

Versus

Reliance Infratel Ltd. & Ors. .. Respondents

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Mr. Girish Godbole, Senior Advocate a/w Mr. Sugandh Deshmukh, Mr. Aniket Kanawade, for the Petitioner in WP/11190/2018 & WP/8929/2018.

Mr. Himanshu Vidhani, Mr. Niket Dalal and Mr. Rushab Chopra and Ms Shravani Musande, i/by Mr. Himanshu Vidhani, for the Petitioner(s) in WP/2561/2015, WP/7327/2009, WP/557/2015 and for the Respondent in IA/2068/2021, IA/2057/2021 and IA/2054 /2021.

Mr. Rubin Vakil a/w Mr. Gaurav Thakur and Ms Aditi Kambli i/by A. S. Dayal & Associates, for the Applicant/Petitioners.

Mr A. A. Kumbhakoni, Senior Advocate a/w Mr. Abhijit Kulkarni, Mr. Vishwanath Patil, Mr. Akshay Naidu and Kedar Nhavkar, for the Respondent-PMC in WP/2515/2017, WP/417/2017, WP/557/2015 & WP/7327/2009 (WP/1932/2015 Not on Board) and for the Applicant in IA/2050/2021, IA/2052/2021, IA/2053/2021, IA/2068/2021, IA/2070/2021, IA/2054/2021, and IA/2054/2021, (IA/2051/2021 & IA/2055/2021 Not on Board).

Mr. P. P. Kakade, Addl.G.P. a/w Mr. Karan S. Thorat, 'B' Panel Counsel, Mrs. M. P. Thakur, AGP and Mrs. G. R. Raghuwanshi, AGP, for the Respondent-State.

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CORAM: BHARATI DANGRE &
ASHISH S. CHAVAN, JJ.

DATED : 18th AUGUST, 2026

P.C:-

1. The group of Writ Petitions calls into question the levy of property taxes on the telecommunication sites of the Petitioners. The Writ Petitions are pending since 2015, and the Interim Applications are taken out for vacating the interim order. By consensus, we deem it appropriate to dispose of the

Interim Applications seeking vacation of stay, with an understanding that the Writ Petitions themselves shall be finally worked out. Hence, the Interim Applications seeking vacation of stay are disposed of.

List the Writ Petitions on **29.08.2026** for final hearing.

Since we are informed that, apart from Mr. Godbole, the learned Senior Counsel representing one of the Petitioners, other Senior Counsels are also representing the other Petitioners, we direct the notice be published in the cause-list tomorrow, indicating that all these matters are fixed on 29.08.2026 for final hearing.

The learned counsel, Mr. Godbole, state that he has taken out an Application for amendment, and we direct the Application to be considered as a part of the pleadings in the Petition, and we direct Mr. Kumbhakoni, learned Senior Counsel representing the Corporation, to advance his submissions even on subsequent developments which are sought to be incorporated through the Interim Application, and merely because they are not part of the pleadings in the Writ Petition shall be no ground for not taking them into consideration.

(ASHISH S. CHAVAN J.) **(BHARATI DANGRE, J.)**

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