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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

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WRIT PETITION NO. 13469 OF 2026

Madan Dagdu Wadekar & Ors. ...Petitioners
Versus
State of Maharashtra & Ors. ...Respondents

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Mr. Chaitanya Nikte a/w Mr. Shubhankar Kulkarni, for the Petitioners.

Mrs. Neha S. Bhide, GP a/w Mrs. Pooja Patil, AGP for Respondent Nos.1 & 2-State.

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CORAM : MAHESH CHANDRA TRIPATHI, CJ. &
ADVAIT M. SETHNA, J.

DATE : 15th OCTOBER, 2026.

P.C.:

1. Heard learned Counsel for the Petitioners and learned AGP for Respondent Nos. 1 & 2-State.

2. The instant Writ Petition has been filed, *inter-alia,* praying for the following substantive reliefs :-

> *"a) This Hon'ble Court be pleased to examine the contents of the present writ petition after examining the same be pleased to issue writ of mandamus or any other writ in the nature of mandamus thereby directing the Respondent No. 1 i.e. the Ld. Collector, Pune to decide representation dated 04/05/2026 (Annexed at "**ExhibitH**") preferred by the Petitioner before Respondent No. 1 for seeking regularization of the membership of the Petitioners.*
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> *b) This Hon'ble Court be pleased to examine the contents of the present writ petition after examining the same be pleased to issue writ of mandamus or any other writ in the nature of mandamus thereby directing the*

Respondent No. 2 and other concerned Revenue Authorities to conduct proper and complete pending enquiry with respect to Order No. PRH/1600/III dated 06/01/1993 issued by Respondent No. 2 i.e. Ld. Collector, thereby granted the said land to Respondent No. 4 Society and submit a detailed report before this Hon'ble Court;

c) *This Hon'ble Court be pleased to examine the contents of the present writ petition after examining the same be pleased to issue writ of mandamus or any other writ in the nature of mandamus thereby directing the Respondent Authorities to take an appropriate decision regarding approval and regularization of the membership of the Petitioners in accordance with the Government policy, sanction orders, and applicable provisions of law and similarly situate Petitioners for allotment of residential flats in the project developed upon the Government land allotted to Respondent No. 4 Society;"*

3. In view of the order that we propose to pass today, we are not inclined to issue notice to the Respondents or keep the matter pending for consideration.

4. At the outset, learned Counsel for the Petitioners would confine their reliefs only with regard to prayer clause (a), wherein it is prayed for a direction to the Respondent No.1-the Collector, Pune to decide the representation dated 4th May, 2026 preferred by the Petitioners. The learned Counsel for the Petitioners has clarified that the other prayers are not pressed.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, we direct the Respondent No. 1 - Collector, Pune to decide the representation dated 4th May, 2026 preferred by the Petitioners

expeditiously, on its own merits and in accordance with law, preferably within a period of three months from the date of production of this Order by the Petitioners.

6. With the aforesaid directions, Writ Petition is Disposed Of, without adverting on merits of the matter.

[ADVAIT M. SETHNA, J.] **[CHIEF JUSTICE]**