

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
WRIT PETITION NO. 16487 OF 2025**

Mr. Nitin Madhav Apte

....Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra & Anr.

....Respondents

Mr. Sumit Kate i/b. Mr. Aditya Kharkar, for the Petitioner.
Ms. Priyanka Chavan, AGP.

**CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE &
ABHAY J. MANTRI, JJ.
DATE : 14th JANUARY, 2026**

P.C. :-

1. Issue Notice to the Respondents, **returnable on 18th February, 2026**. The learned AGP waives service of notice on behalf of Respondent no. 1.

3. Let Affidavit(s) in Reply be filed at least 7 days prior to the returnable date.

4. All Office objections to be removed on or before 29th January, 2026, failing which, this Petition would stand dismissed without reference to the Court on 30th January, 2026.

(ABHAY J. MANTRI, J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)