

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 17504 OF 2025

Kailas Gajanan Somase & Ors.

... Petitioners

vs.

The Additional Collector, Nashik & Ors.

... Respondents

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None for the Petitioner.

Mr.P.P.Kakade, Addl.GP with Ms.D.S.Deshmukh, AGP for Respondent
No.1, State.

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**CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE &
ABHAY MANTRI, JJ.**

DATE : 06 MARCH, 2026

P.C:

1. None appears for the Petitioners, either in the Court Hall or
through the video conferencing mode.

2. The solitary prayer put forth by the Petitioners is that
Respondent No.1 be directed to decide Gram Panchayat Dispute
Application No.4 of 2025 expeditiously and, in any event, before
31.12.2025.

3. The learned Addl.GP submits that the term of the concerned Gram Panchayat of Dongargaon, Taluka Deola, District Nashik, has expired.

4. Be that as it may, Respondent No. 1 will have to decide the pending proceeding by following the due procedure laid down in law, if the Complainant prosecutes the said Application under the Maharashtra Village Panchayats Act, 1959.

5. As such, **this Writ Petition is disposed off** with a direction to Respondent No.1 to issue fresh notices to the Complainant and the Respondents in the pending dispute. For the said purpose, notice to the Complainant/Non-Applciant/Respondents would be issued within a period of 10 days from today.

6. If the Complainant desires to prosecute the complaint, Respondent No.1 would follow the due procedure laid down in law and decide the complaint within a period of 60 days from today.

(ABHAY MANTRI, J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)