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

FIRST APPEAL NO. 1428 OF 2005

The State of Maharashtra

...Appellant

Versus

Shri. Vithoba Jagannath Mhatre and Ors.

...Respondents

**WITH
CROSS OBJECTION STAMP (ST) NO. 572 OF 2006
IN
FIRST APPEAL NO. 1428 OF 2005**

The Special Land Acquisition Officer

...Appellant

Versus

Vithoba Jagannath Mhatre and Ors.

...Respondents

**WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION (ST) NO. 17327 OF 2025
IN
FIRST APPEAL NO. 1428 OF 2005**

Sitabai Namdev Patil Deceased Thr. LRs
Shankar N. Patil and Ors.

...Applicants

Versus

The Special Land Acquisition Officer

...Respondent

**WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 7675 OF 2025
IN
FIRST APPEAL NO. 1428 OF 2005**

Vithoba Jagannath Mhatre
(since deceased through his Legal Heirs)
Janabai Sunil Mhatre And Ors.

...Applicants

Versus

The Special Land Acquisition Officer

...Respondent

**WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION (ST) NO. 17328 OF 2025
IN
CROSS OBJECTION (ST) NO. 572 OF 2006
IN
FIRST APPEAL NO. 1428 OF 2005**

Smt. Sitabai Namdev Patil

(Since deceased) Through Shankar N. Patil & Ors

...Applicants

Versus

The Special Land Acquisition Officer

...Respondents

**WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION (ST) NO. 11716 OF 2025
IN
CROSS OBJECTION (ST) NO. 572 OF 2006
IN
FIRST APPEAL NO. 1428 OF 2005**

Shri. Vithoba Jagannath Mhatre Since Deceased

Thr. Lrs. Janabai Sunil Mhatre and Ors.

...Applicants

In the matter between :

The State of Maharashtra

...Appellant

Versus

Shri. Vithoba Jagannath Mhatre and Ors.

...Respondents

Mr. Sanchita Thakur, for the Applicants.

Mr. A. A. Patil, Addl. G.P. for the State.

**CORAM : SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, J.
DATE : FEBRUARY 2, 2026**

ORDER :

1. Interim Application No. 7675 of 2025 seeks to bring on record the legal heirs of Respondent No.1, while Interim Application (St) No. 17327 of 2025 seeks to bring on record legal heirs of the Respondent No.4.
2. For the reasons set out in the Applications, both the Interim Applications are allowed. The legal heirs may be brought on record. Necessary action may be taken within a period of two weeks from the upload of this order on the website of this Court.
3. ***Interim Application (St) Nos. 11716 of 2025 and 17328 of 2025*** are not on board. By consent of the parties, taken on board. The Interim Applications are taken out in the connected Cross-Objections, for the same reasons are also allowed.
4. List the First Appeal on ***February 9, 2026***.
5. All actions required to be taken pursuant to this order shall be taken upon receipt of a downloaded copy as available on this Court's website.

[SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, J.]