

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 1910 OF 2026

WITH

WRIT PETITION NO. 3476 OF 2024

WITH

INTERIM APPLICATION (L) NO. 3130 OF 2026

IN

WRIT PETITION NO. 3476 OF 2026

Lovina Nicholas D'souza

...Petitioner

V/s.

The State of Maharashtra & Ors.

...Respondents

Ms. Iccha Pokale with Ms. Sweta Rathod, i/b Elixir Legal Services, for the Petitioner in both Petitions.

Mr. Manish Upadhye, AGP, for the Respondent-State in all matters.

CORAM : M. S. KARNIK AND

FARHAN P. DUBASH, JJ.

DATE : 22nd APRIL 2026

PC.:

1. The Petitioner has an alternate efficacious remedy under the Maharashtra Land Revenue Code, 1966 to challenge the deletion of the petitioner's name in the revenue records by filing appropriate proceedings before the appellate authority.
2. We permit the petitioner to file appropriate proceedings to challenge the deletion of the petitioner's name in the mutation entry pursuant to the order passed by the respondent no. 3.
3. In case an appeal is filed challenging the deletion before the

appropriate authority, it is always open for the petitioner to make a request to expedite the proceedings. Considering the age of the petitioner, such a request can obviously be considered by the appellate authority on humanitarian considerations and in the facts and circumstances of this case.

4. Keeping all contentions open and with the liberty to file appropriate proceedings, both these petitions are disposed of.

5. It is made clear that we have not made any observations on merits and on the questions of delay.

(FARHAN P. DUBASH, J.)

(M. S. KARNIK, J.)

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