



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR

WRIT PETITION No.4047 OF 2026

Keshav s/o Ukandrao Kusare,
Aged about 57 years,
Occupation : Service,
R/o. At Bellori, Post Pandhara,
Tq. Kinwat, Dist. Nanded.

: PETITIONER

...VERSUS...

The Scheduled Tribe Caste Certificate
Scrutiny Committee,
Through its Member Secretary,
Yavatmal.

: RESPONDENT

Mr. Ashwin Deshpande, Advocate for Petitioner.

Mr. H.S. Dhande, Assistant Government Pleader for Respondent.

CORAM : **SMT. M.S. JAWALKAR AND**
NANDESH S. DESHPANDE, JJ.

DATE : **08th MAY, 2026.**

JUDGMENT : (Per : NANDESH S. DESHPANDE, J.)

1. Issue notice to the respondent.
2. Mrs. H.S. Dhande, learned A.G.P. waives notice on behalf of sole respondent.
3. Rule. Rule made returnable forthwith. Heard finally with the consent of parties.
4. The present petition seeks a direction to the sole

respondent i.e. Scheduled Tribe Caste Certificate Scrutiny Committee, Yavatmal to decide the caste claim of the petitioner expeditiously and to issue caste validity certificate to him.

5. As can be seen from the record, the claim of the petitioner was forwarded to the respondent Committee on 23rd October, 2020 and the same is pending till date. It is further seen from the record that a show cause notice in pursuance to the inquiry conducted by the Vigilance Cell was issued on 29.6.2022 to which reply was filed on 23.3.2023. It is, therefore, clear that the matter is only pending for passing of any order by the Scrutiny Committee.

6. Learned Assistant Government Pleader also does not dispute the position, we therefore dispose of the petition with direction to the Scheduled Tribe Caste Certificate Scrutiny Committee, Yavatmal to decide the caste claim of the petitioner within two months from the date of this order.

7. With this direction, Writ Petition is disposed of.

(NANDESH S. DESHPANDE, J.)

(SMT. M.S. JAWALKAR, J.)