

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 2684 of 2026**

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JAGDISH ANANDJI THAKKAR
Versus
STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.

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Appearance:

MR PRADIP K VALERA(13303) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1

MR VIMAL A PUROHIT(5049) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1

GOVERNMENT PLEADER for the Respondent(s) No. 1,2,3

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MS. JUSTICE VAIBHAVI D. NANAVATI

Date : 24/03/2026

ORAL ORDER

1. Heard Mr. Vimal A. Purohit, the learned advocate appearing for the petitioner.

2. By way of present petition, the petitioner herein is aggrieved by part of the order dated 21.1.2026 passed by the Dy. Collector, Bhuj in R.T.S. Appeal No.108(5) Case No.5 of 2025 whereby the Appeal preferred by the respondent No.5 was rejected, however though the Appeal was rejected, the respondent No.2 herein directed the respondent No.3 to verify whether the deceased person and the person mentioned in Entry No.199 in mutation

entry dated 10.2.1975 in connection with the Registered Sale Deed dated 28.3.1972 are one and the same.

3. Mr. Purohit, the learned advocate submits that the said proceedings are concluded and order of status-quo is passed restraining any further mutation or change in respect of the land in question. The petitioner herein purchased the land in question by way of registered sale deed on 12.4.2012 wherein the Mutation Entry No.987 is mutated in the revenue record, entry is duly certified on 24.5.2012. He submits that the Appeal as such was preferred after a delay of more than fifty years by the private respondent and which was rejected, however the subsequent direction issued by the Dy. Collector, Bhuj is without jurisdiction.

4. Submissions of Mr. Purohit, the learned advocate prima facie requires consideration.

Issue notice making it returnable on 24.4.2026.

Mr. Jayneel Parikh, the learned AGP waives service of notice for and on behalf of the respondent No.1 – State.

In the interregnum period, subsequent part of the order duly produced at page-43 dated 21.1.2026, 'the respondent No.2 herein

directed the respondent No.3 to verify whether the deceased person and the person mentioned in Entry No.199 in mutation entry dated 10.2.1975 in connection with the Registered Sale Deed dated 28.3.1972 are one and the same, after the Appeal is rejected the authority has directed to maintain status-quo restraining any further mutation or change in respect of land in question', is directed to be stayed till further orders.

Direct service is permitted.

K.K. SAIYED

(VAIBHAVI D. NANAVATI,J)