

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 4137 of 2024**

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PEOPLES TRAINING AND RESEARCH CENTRE & ORS.
Versus
THE STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.

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Appearance:

MR VEDANT RAJGURU with MRMEHUL DHANDE for MR AJ YAGNIK(1372)
for the Petitioner(s) No. 1,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,3,4,5,6,7,8,9
MR KAMAL TRIVEDI, ADVOCATE GENERAL with MS HETAL PATEL, AGP
for the Respondent(s) No. 1
NOTICE SERVED for the Respondent(s) No.
10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MRS. JUSTICE
SUNITA AGARWAL**
and
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV J. THAKER

Date : 15/12/2025

ORAL ORDER
**(PER : HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MRS. JUSTICE SUNITA
AGARWAL)**

1. By means of the affidavit dated 15.12.2025, two Government Resolutions dated 12.12.2025 have been brought on record, one of which is to provide compensation to the heirs of the deceased suffering from silicosis. The Government Resolution provides that claims of heirs of such persons rejected on the ground of delay or time barred claims, will be considered afresh and, in future, all those, who have submitted time barred claims, would be entitled to be considered ignoring the delay, subject to the prescribed verification and the recommendation/opinion of the Gujarat Rural Workers Welfare Board. It is thus provided that the claims of similarly situated persons like the petitioners herein would be treated in a like manner.

2. With this, we find that the issue raised in the present petition about providing due assistance/compensation to the victims (heirs of the deceased persons suffering from silicosis) would be taken care of.

3. As regards providing aid or financial assistance to the persons suffering from silicosis, the Government Resolution dated 12.12.2025 placed at Annexure-R2 to the affidavit needs further deliberations.

4. Mr.Kamal Trivedi, learned Advocate General appearing for the State respondents would submit that the concerned department would come out with the positive solution to the suggestions given by the learned advocate, by providing a comprehensive policy to take care of affected persons by silicosis. The Principal Secretary, Labour, Skill Development and Employment Department, Government of Gujarat, is directed to file an affidavit by the next date fixed. Put up this matter on 8th January 2026, at 12.30 p.m.

(SUNITA AGARWAL, CJ)

(SANJEEV J.THAKER,J)

R.S. MALEK