

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 5095 of 2026**

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RIPALBEN VINODBHAI DATTANI & ORS.

Versus

STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.

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Appearance:

MR DHURUV D DESAI(9909) for the Petitioner(s) No.

1,10,11,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9

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

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MS. JUSTICE VAIBHAVI D. NANAVATI**Date : 10/04/2026****ORAL ORDER**

1. Heard Mr. Dhruv D. Desai, learned advocate appearing for the petitioners.

2. By way of the present petition, the petitioners herein challenge the impugned order dated 20.02.2026 passed by the respondent no. 1 – Special Secretary, Revenue Department (Appeals) in Revision Application No. MVV/JMN/GIR/7/2024 confirming the order dated 21.06.2024 passed by the respondent no. 2 – Collector in suo moto revision proceedings being Land/2/C/918/2023 wherein the Collector exercising suo moto powers issued show-cause-notice on 18.08.2023 wherein an initial transaction relating back to the year 1958 is held to be in breach of the Section 79A of the Land Revenue Code, 1879.

2.1. It is submitted that the initial transaction the such revisional powers are exercised after a gross delay of more than 50 years. There are subsequent transactions between the parties from time to time wherein the petitioner herein are the bona fide purchasers having purchased the land herein by way ten registered sale deeds as reflected from the table produced wherein the same is identified in a tabular form in paragraph no. 3.3 to the petition which appear to have occurred from 2019 to 2021.

3. Issue notice making it returnable on 04.05.2026. Mr. Jwalant Vora, learned AGP waives the service of notice for and on behalf of respondent no. 1.

4. In the interregnum period, let there be interim relief in terms of paragraph no. 7(C).

Direct service is permitted qua respondent nos. 2, 3, 5 and 6.

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(VAIBHAVI D. NANAVATI,J)