

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 8531 of 2020**

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MULJIBHAI JIVABHAI SONARA

Versus

STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.

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Appearance:

MR DIPAK H SINDHI(5710) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1

MS. NIDHI VYAS, ASST. GOVERNMENT PLEADER for the
Respondent(s) No. 1,2,3,4,5

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE MAULIK J.SHELAT

Date : 22/01/2026

ORAL ORDER

[1] At the outset, Mr. Dipak H. Sindhi, learned advocate for the petitioner, has pointed out to this Court that, despite the order dated 24.07.2020 passed by this Court, whereby the learned AGP appearing for the respondent - State was directed to get the present status of the communication dated 03.03.2017 produced with this petition.

[2] Mr. Sindhi, learned advocate for the petitioner states that despite there being a specific direction issued in the year 2020 and a reply having been filed by respondent No.2 on 30.05.2023, till date, there is no response forthcoming from the side of the State as regards whether any decision has been taken apropos to the aforesaid communication dated 03.03.2017 or not.

[3] In that view of the matter, the Director, Social Welfare

Department, State of Gujarat is directed to place on record any decision pursuant to the aforesaid communication dated 03.03.2017, failing which, responsible officer of respondent No.2 is required to remain present on the next date of hearing.

[4] S. O. to **9th February, 2026**. List on top of the board.

Lalji Desai

(MAULIK J.SHELAT,J)