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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY  
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.1778 OF 2023

Prasad Pradip Gavali

...Petitioner

*Versus*

State of Maharashtra

...Respondents

WITH

WRIT PETITION NO.12147 OF 2022

Sunil Baliram Gavali

...Petitioner

*Versus*

State of Maharashtra

...Respondents

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Mr. R.K. Mendadkar, for the Petitioner.

Smt. Tanu N. Bhatia for the Respondent Nos.1 and 2 – State.

A.R.S. Baxi, for Respondent No.3 in WP No.1778 of 2023

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CORAM : R.I. CHAGLA AND  
ADVAIT M. SETHNA, JJ.

DATE : 1ST APRIL, 2026

ORDER :

1. Mr. Mendadkar, the learned Counsel appearing for the Petitioners states that pursuant to the Order dated 30th December, 2021, show cause notices issued to the Petitioners' blood relatives



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from the paternal side qua their caste validity certificates have been set aside by this Court in Writ Petitions filed by them. The copies of the Orders passed therein have been tendered to this Court. He has sought time to place these subsequent facts on record by way of Affidavit.

2. The Petitioners shall file Affidavit in the course of the day.

3. It is noted that the learned AGP appearing for the Respondent No.2 – Scrutiny Committee is agreeable to the matter being remanded back in view of subsequent events and for *denovo* hearing of the Petitioners and deciding the caste validity claim in accordance with law.

4. Place the Writ Petitions for passing order tomorrow i.e. on 2nd April, 2026.

[ ADVAIT M. SETHNA, J. ]

[ R.I. CHAGLA J. ]