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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION (ST) NO. 5294 OF 2026

Santosh Shivaji Kawade and Anr.

.. Petitioners

Versus

The Collector, Pune and Ors.

.. Respondents

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- Mr. Aniket Malu, Advocate for Petitioners.
 - Mr. A.I. Patel, Addl. G.P. a/w. Mr. Aditya R. Deolekar, AGP for the State.

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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : FEBRUARY 24, 2026.

P.C.:

1. Heard Mr. Malu, learned Advocate for Petitioners and Mr. Deolekar, learned AGP for Respondents – State.
2. This Writ Petition was heard by me yesterday evening due to the exigency mentioned by the Advocate for Petitioner. Detailed order was passed by this Court on 23.02.2026.
3. In compliance of the order, Mr. Deolekar who had appeared on notice last evening appears and informs the Court that due process of law has been followed according to his instructions received by him and he would like to file appropriate Affidavit-in-Reply highlighting the steps taken by the Statutory Authorities in accordance with law.

4. An appropriate Affidavit-in-Reply be filed within a period of two weeks from today. Copy of the same shall be served on the Advocate for Plaintiffs.
5. Rejoinder, if any, is directed to be filed within one week thereafter.
6. Grievances of Plaintiffs shall be heard in accordance with law.
7. Stand over to **24th March 2026**.

[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]

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