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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY  
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

INTERIM APPLICATION (ST) NO. 7872 OF 2026

IN

WRIT PETITION NO. 17486 OF 2025

Swanand Laxmikant Inamdar ...Applicant

*In the matter between*

Swanand Laxmikant Inamdar & Ors. ...Petitioners

*Versus*

State of Maharashtra & Ors. ...Respondents

WITH

INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 2106 OF 2026

IN

WRIT PETITION NO. 17487 OF 2025

Sudhakar Sitaram Ravande ...Applicants

*In the matter between*

Sudhakar Sitaram Ravande & Ors. ...Petitioners

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State of Maharashtra & Ors. ...Respondents

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**CORAM : R.I. CHAGLA J  
ADVAIT M. SETHNA, J**

**DATE : 6 April 2026**

**ORDER :**

1. These Interim Applications have been taken out in the above Writ Petitions, which had originally been filed before the Kolhapur Bench, but thereafter, has been transferred to the Principal Bench.

2. The learned Counsel for the Petitioners in both Writ Petitions have moved these Interim Applications, in view of the examination forms requiring to be filled up by today for the 10th and Final Semester examination and if not filled up, by payment of fine, the examination forms can be filled by 9th April 2026. The 10th and Final Semester examinations are commencing from 17th April 2026.

3. The learned Counsel for the Petitioners have referred to order dated 25th November 2025, by which this Court (Kolhapur Bench) had considered the *ad-interim* application of the Petitioners which was being moved as their appearance for examinations were being held up due to the pendency of the Writ Petition in which the 'carry on' issue is being determined. This Court had accordingly, allowed the Petitioners to appear for the rest of the examinations scheduled from 26th November 2025. The Respondent-University was directed to make necessary arrangement thereby permitting the Petitioners to appear for such examinations. Thereafter, 22 out of 26 of the present Petitioners have cleared the examinations. In view thereof, further *ad-interim* relief is being sought for allowing them to appear for the 10th and Final Semester examination by filling up the examination forms in connection therewith.

4. We consider it appropriate, given that the issue of 'carry on' is still being determined by this Court and that the 10th and Final Semester examination is commencing from 17th April 2026 and for which the examination forms are required to be filled up by 9th April 2026, subject to payment of fine, to allow the Petitioners to fill up the examination forms and to appear in the 10th and Final Semester examinations commencing from 17th April 2026. This shall be subject to the outcome of these Petitions as well as the outcome of the determination on the issue of 'carry on'. The Petitioners shall not claim any equities by virtue of this order.

5. We accordingly, allow prayer clause (d) of the Interim Application (St.) No. 7872 of 2026 and Interim Application No. 2106 of 2026.

6. It is made clear that this *ad-interim* order is applicable only to the present Petitioners / Applicants in both the Writ Petitions.

7. Interim Application (St.) No. 7872 of 2026 and Interim Application No. 2106 of 2026 are disposed of in these terms.

8. Liberty is granted to the Petitioners to apply to this Court in the event the issue of 'carry on' is decided against the Petitioners.

9. These Petitions have been tagged with the Writ Petition No. 11651 of 2025, where the issue of 'carry on' is *suo motu* being determined by this Court.

[ADVAIT M. SETHNA, J.]

[R.I. CHAGLA J.]