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

**PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO. 131 OF 2014**

Vanshakti & Anr. .. Petitioners

Versus

State of Maharashtra & Anr. .. Respondents

**WITH  
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 300 OF 2019  
IN  
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO. 131 OF 2014**

Purnima Upadhyay .. Applicant

**In the matter between:**

Vanshakti & Anr. .. Petitioners

Versus

State of Maharashtra & Anr. .. Respondents

Mr. Akash Rebello a/w Mr. Zaman Ali i/by Abdi & Co.  
for petitioners.

Mrs. Neha S. Bhide, Govt. Pleader with Mr. O. A.  
Chandurkar and Mr. M. M. Pabale, AGP for  
respondent no.1.

**CORAM: ALOK ARADHE, CJ. &  
SANDEEP V. MARNE, J.**

**DATE: 7<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2025**

**P.C.:**

**1.** This Public Interest Litigation has been filed seeking a direction to the State of Maharashtra to to identify and

demarcate critical wildlife habitat spaces and forest areas in order to protect and conserve wildlife and wildlife habitat, which are facing extinction or threatened in their original habitats.

**2.** Learned Additional Government Pleader, while inviting attention of the Court to affidavit-in-reply filed on behalf of the respondent no.1-State, submits that conservation plans are being prepared while implementing projects like dams etc. However, learned Additional Government Pleader prays for adjournment to enable him to apprise this Court with regard to the steps taken by the State Government to identify and demarcate critical wildlife habitats.

**3.** List after two weeks.

**(SANDEEP V. MARNE, J.)**

**(CHIEF JUSTICE)**

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