

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO. 131 OF 2014

Vanashakti And Anr ...Petitioners
 Versus
 The State Of Maharashtra, Through Principal
 Secretary, Forest Dept And Anr ...Respondents

WITH

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

Purnima Upadhyay ...Applicant
 Versus
 Vanashakti Public Trust & Ors. ...Respondents

Mr. Akash Rebello i/b Mr. Zoman Ali & Ms. Janhavi B. i/b Abdi & Co. for the Petitioners.

Mr. O.A.Chandurkar, Addl.G.P a/w Mr. M.M.Pabale, A.G.P for the Respondent-State.

Mr. D.P Singh for the Respondent No.2 – UOI.

CORAM : REVATI MOHITE DERE &
SANDESH D. PATIL, JJ.
DATE : 23rd SEPTEMBER, 2025

P.C. :

1. Despite the earlier two orders, till date, the Respondent - State has not filed affidavit-in-reply. Mr. Chandurkar, learned Addl.G.P seeks time to file affidavit-in-reply.

2. By way of last chance, time to file affidavit-in-reply is extended by three weeks from today, subject to the State Government paying costs of Rs.25,000/- to the petitioners. The said affidavit-in-reply to be filed in the Registry before the next date, with an advance copy to the learned Counsel for the petitioners and other respondents.

3. Mr. D.P.Singh also seeks time to take instructions and to file affidavit-in-reply, if any, before the next date. The same to be filed in the Registry before the next date with an advance copy to the learned Counsel for the petitioners.

4. At this stage, learned Counsel for the petitioners has tendered India's National Wildlife Action Plan. The same is taken on

record and a copy thereof is served on the learned Counsel for the respective respondents.

5. Learned Counsel appearing for the said respondents to take instructions with respect to what is stated, in particular, the chapter on Priority Projects i.e. 2.4 therein.

6. Stand over to **12th November, 2025.**

SANDESH D. PATIL, J.

REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.