

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

Vanashakti & Anr. ...Petitioner
Versus
The State of Maharashtra Through
Principal Secretary, Forest Dept.& Anr. ...Respondents

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

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

Mr. Akash Rabello a/w Mr. Zaman Ali for the Petitioner.

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.

CORAM : REVATI MOHITE DERE &
SANDESH D. PATIL, JJ.
DATE : 12th NOVEMBER, 2025

P.C. :

1. Mr. D.P.Singh, learned Special P.P appearing for the Union of India, on instructions, states that the Union of India has not

received any proposal from the State Government as mentioned by the respondent No.1 in the additional affidavit filed by them dated 9th October, 2025.

2. Mr. Chandurkar, learned Addl.G.P states that although, the proposal has been sent, nevertheless, copy of the proposal will be sent once again within one week from today. Statement accepted.

3. Mr. Singh assures that an affidavit will be filed within three weeks from today, with an advance copy to the learned Counsel for the respective parties.

4. On receipt of the proposals from the State Government, the concerned Ministry of the Union of India to decide the said proposal sent by the State Government, in accordance with law, within 12 weeks from the date of receipt of the proposal.

5. In the meantime, the State Government to process and to take steps *vis-a-vis* 15 other categories / Sanctuaries mentioned in category 'A' before the next date. An affidavit to that effect to be filed before the next date.

6. Stand over to **12th February, 2026.**

SANDESH D. PATIL, J.

REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.