

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 4777 OF 2026

Omkar Zumbar Lokhande

...Petitioner

Versus

Savitribai Phule Pune University Throu.
The Vice Chandellor And Ors

...Respondents

Mr. Mayur Suhas Garud, a/w Mr. Harshvardhan Melanta and Ms. Sapna Sharma, for the Petitioner.

Mr. Rajendra Anbhule, for Respondent No. 1.

Mr. Prasad L. Gajbhiye, for Respondent No. 2 – BCI.

Mr. Rahul Nerlekar, for Respondent no. 3.

Mr. Shailendra S. Kanetkar, a/w Mr. R.M. Gogte, for Respondent No. 4.

Mr. Abhijeet Naik, for Respondent Nos. 5 and 6 – State.

**CORAM : R. I. CHAGLA AND
ADVAIT M. SETHNA, JJ.**

DATED : 17th APRIL, 2026

P.C.:-

1. Having heard the learned counsel appearing for the parties, we are not inclined to grant any ad-interim or interim relief sought by the learned counsel for the Petitioner, particularly in view of our prior order dated 10 April 2026.

2. By the said order, we had considered our earlier order dated 17

January 2026 passed in Writ Petition No. 739 of 2026, wherein the same college, i.e., ILS Law College, Pune (Respondent No. 4 herein), was a party Respondent. In that case, the petitioner had only 45% attendance, falling short of the minimum requirement of 55% attendance. Upon placing reliance on Clauses 68 and 70 of the Ordinances of Respondent No. 1 – University, this Court, in that case, did not grant the relief sought by the Petitioner on the ground that the deficiency could not have been condoned by the Executive Council. In the present case, the Petitioner has only 3% attendance, and hence we are not inclined to grant ad-interim relief.

3. The urgency for moving the said writ petition, as mentioned in the order dated 10 April 2026, was that the Petitioner had sought permission to appear for the 4th Semester Examination and to have his result processed and declared without being affected by the alleged shortage of attendance. As per the schedule of Respondent No. 4 – College, the last date for filing the examination forms for the 4th Semester examination was the next day. We had extended the last date for submission of examination forms until today, considering the peculiar facts and circumstances of the present case. However, upon hearing the submissions of the learned counsel for the parties for some time, we do not consider it appropriate to further extend the last date for filing the examination forms.

4. The Respondents shall file their affidavit in reply to the writ petition within a period of two weeks from today.

5. The Petitioner shall file a rejoinder within a period of one week thereafter.
6. Place this writ petition for hearing on 5 May 2026.

[ADVAIT M. SETHNA, J.]

[R.I. CHAGLA, J.]