

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

**WRIT PETITION NO.5166 OF 2025**

Shyam Gajanan Raut .. Petitioner  
Vs.  
The State of Maharashtra,  
Through Skill Development Department  
and Entrepreneurship Department and Ors. .. Respondents

Mr. Digvijay S. Kachare, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. N.K. Rajpurohit, Assistant Government Pleader for the Respondents.

**CORAM : A.S. CHANDURKAR &  
M.M. SATHAYE, JJ**

**DATE : 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025.**

**PC. :**

1. It is submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that as the petitioner's land bearing Gat No.137 situated at Village Divthana, Taluka Khamgaon, District Buldhana came to be acquired in Land Acquisition Case No.17/2012-13, he was issued such certificate by the Deputy Collector on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017. The petitioner pursuant to an advertisement dated 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 sought recruitment on the post of Senior Clerk – Group "C". Under Clause 11.5 of the said advertisement, reservation for candidates from "the project affected persons" category was available. The petitioner's candidature however has been rejected on the ground that the petitioner has furnished such certificate dated 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024, which is after the date of advertisement. It is urged that the

petitioner's land having been acquired much prior to the advertisement and certificate dated 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017 having been issued, the same ought to have been taken into consideration.

2. Issue notice to the respondents, returnable on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025. Learned Assistant Government Pleader waives notice for the respondents. Since ad-interim relief was granted by the Maharashtra Administrative Tribunal on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024 and one post in the “project affected persons category – open” was directed to be kept vacant, said ad-interim relief shall continue to operate until further orders.

[ M.M. SATHAYE, J. ]

[ A.S. CHANDURKAR, J. ]