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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY  
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION (ST.) NO.11020 OF 2026

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Jyotsna Sameer Vartak & Ors.

...Petitioners

*Versus*

The State of Maharashtra & Ors.

...Respondents

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Jenish Jain with Ms. Aishwarya R. Tuwar the Petitioners.

Ms. Pooja Joshi Deshpande, AGP for the State.  
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CORAM : R.I. CHAGLA AND  
M.M. SATHAYE, JJ.  
DATE : 16TH APRIL, 2026.

**ORDER :**

1. By this Writ Petition, the Petitioners who are practicing Advocates have applied for ad-interim/interim relief for a direction to the Respondents to accept the applications of the Petitioners for examination as per Advertisement No.006/2026 dated 18th March, 2026 on such terms and conditions as this Court deems fit.

2. This Petition has been moved for ad-interim relief in view of the Application requiring to be made by the Petitioners for examination for the post of Additional Public Prosecutor as per Advertisement No.006/2026 issued on 18th March, 2026.

3. Mr. Jenish Jain, the learned Counsel appearing for the Petitioners has relied upon similar orders passed by this Court, wherein ad-interim relief had been granted and which include Order dated 9th April, 2026.

4. Considering that this Court has taken such a view which would be applicable to the present Petition, we pass a similar ad-interim order.

5. The Respondents are directed to accept the Application of the Petitioners upon the Application being made by 5.00 p.m. on 17th April, 2026 for the examination as per Advertisement No.006/2026 issued on 18th March, 2026. Considering that Experience Certificates are also required to also be uploaded by the said time and date, Applications for Experience Certificate shall be made by the Petitioners to the competent Authority and upon such Applications being made, the competent Authority shall decide the same expeditiously on its own merits and in accordance with law.

6. It is made clear that this ad-interim order is subject to the outcome of the present Petition and / or further orders passed therein and that the Petitioners shall not claim any equities by virtue

of this ad-interim order.

7. We clarify that this ad-interim order is restricted only to the Petitions before this Court.

8. The Petitioners shall provide their e-mail ids to the MPSC on e-mail id legal-div@mpsc.gov.in forthwith.

9. The Respondents shall file their Affidavit-in-Reply to the Petition on or before 24th April, 2026.

10. The Petitioners are at liberty to file Affidavit-in-Rejoinder thereto on or before 30th April, 2026.

11. Stand over to 5th May, 2026 to be heard along with the Writ Petitions which are subject matter of orders dated 9th and 15th April, 2026.

[ M.M. SATHAYE, J. ]

[ R.I. CHAGLA J. ]