

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
WRIT PETITION NO. 1561 OF 2026**

Thakubai Kashinath Watpade
(since deceased) Through legal heir ... Petitioner
vs.
The State of Maharashtra,
Through Collector, Nashik and others ... Respondents

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 1988 OF 2026
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WRIT PETITION NO. 1658 OF 2026
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WRIT PETITION NO. 2342 OF 2026
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WRIT PETITION NO. 2345 OF 2026
WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2346 OF 2026
WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 15674 OF 2025**

Ms. Sanika Thakare for petitioner in WP/1561/2026, WP/6748/2026, WP/6751/2026, WP/6753/2026 and WP/6785/2026.

Mr. Suhas Urgunde (through V.C.) a/w. Mr. Sambhaji Kharatmol for respondent No.4-NHAI in WP/6748/2026, WP/6751/2026, WP/6753/2026, WP/6785/2026, WP/2336/2026, WP/2337/2026, WP/2338/2026, WP/2341/2026, WP/2342/2026, WP/2345/2026, WP/2346/2026 and WP/15674/2025.

Mr. O. A. Chandurkar, Addl GP for respondent-State in WP/1561/2026, WP/1988/2026, WP/1989/2026 and WP/2336/2026.

Mr. B. V. Samant, Addl GP for respondent-State in WP/2337/2026, WP/1987/2026, WP/1656/2026 and WP/1658/2026.

Ms. G. R. Raghuwanshi, AGP for respondent-State in WP/6753/2026, WP/1990/2026 and WP/1563/2026.

Ms. Tanu N. Bhatia, AGP for respondent-State in WP/2341/2026, WP/6751/2026, WP/1986/2026, WP/2006/2026 and WP/1596/2026.

Mr. R. S. Pawar, AGP for respondent-State in WP/2342/2026, WP/2007/2026, WP/2011/2026 and WP/2008/2026.

Ms. M. S. Bane, AGP for respondent-State in WP/2345/2026, WP/1586/2026, WP/1588/2026 and WP/2009/2026.

Ms. Pooja Patil, AGP for respondent-State in WP/1589/2026, WP/1602/2026 and WP/2010/2026.

Ms. P. M. J. Deshpande, AGP for respondent-State in WP/2346/2026, WP/6748/2026, WP/6785/2026, WP/1590/2026, WP/1594/2026 and WP/1604/2026.

Mr. A. A. Alaspurkar, AGP for respondent-State in WP/15674/2025.

Mr. S. P. Kamble, AGP for respondent-State in WP/1601/2026, WP/1593/2026 and WP/1597/2026.

Mr. Y. D. Patil, AGP for respondent-State in WP/2338/2026, WP/1600/2026 and WP/1598/2026.

Mr. Sagar Varma (through VC), i/b Sagar Ladda for respondent No.4–NHAI in WP/1561/2026.

Mr. Manish Kelkar for respondent No. 5–Union of India in WP/1596/2026, WP/1593/2026, WP/1604/2026 and WP/1597/2026.

**CORAM : MANISH PITALE &
SHREERAM V. SHIRSAT, JJ**

DATE : 12th JUNE, 2026

P.C. :

. During the course of hearing, the learned counsel for the petitioners in these petitions relied upon order passed by the Supreme Court in the case of *National Highways Authority of India vs. Tarsem Singh and others*, **2026 SCC OnLine SC 481**, being an order passed on 25.03.2026. In paragraph No.14 of the said order, the Supreme Court gave its conclusion and certain directions.

2. We are of the opinion that even though the petitioners in these petitions can be said to be entitled to relief in terms of the aforesaid order of the Supreme Court, an interpretation of paragraph No.14 would be necessary, so that there is no controversy when the matter is sent to the competent authority for computation of additional amounts payable to the petitioners. Such exercise of interpretation is necessary to avoid further petitions being filed by the claimants.

3. We find substance in the contention raised on behalf of the learned AGPs that unless all relevant documents pertaining to claims made by the petitioners and the details of challenge raised to determination of quantum of compensation, are placed before this Court, it would be difficult to resolve the controversy.

4. In that light, the learned counsel for the petitioners seek adjournment to file their additional affidavits along with documents in these writ petitions.

5. At this stage, a grievance is raised by the learned AGPs and the learned counsel appearing for acquiring body – National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) that copies of all the petitions have not been served on them. In that light, the learned counsel for the petitioners assures this Court that copies of all the petitions shall be served upon the learned AGPs as well as the learned counsel for the NHAI.

6. The petitioners shall file additional affidavits along with documents in all these writ petitions within a period of three weeks from today, with advance copies being served on the learned counsel for the respondents.

7. List all these petitions for further consideration on 08.07.2026, High on Board.

(SHREERAM V. SHIRSAT, J.)

(MANISH PITALE, J.)