

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

**INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 3355 OF 2026  
IN  
WRIT PETITION NO. 15152 OF 2025**

Dr. Shivaji Dattu Bothe & Anr. ....Applicants

*Versus*

The Assistant Charity Commissioner – 3  
Thane & Anr. ...Respondents

**WITH  
INTERIM APPLICATION (ST) NO. 13020 OF 2026  
IN  
WRIT PETITION NO. 15152 OF 2025**

Dr. Gangadhar Kashinath Shirude & Anr. ...Applicants

*Versus*

The Assistant Charity Commissioner – 3  
Thane & Anr. ...Respondents

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Mr. R. N. Dhorde, Senior Advocate, Mr. P. S. Dighe a/w Mr. Vinayak Chitale & Mr. Mujtaba Ambekar i/b. A&P Partners, for Applicants/Petitioners.

Mr. R. N. Dhorde, Senior Advocate a/w Mr. Nitin Gaware Patil a/w Mr. Divyesh K. Jain i/b. Mr. A. C. Samdhanshu, for Respondents in IA No. 3355 of 2026.

Mr. Anoop Patil, for Applicants in IA No. 13020 of 2026.

Mr. P. P. Kakade, Addl. GP a/w Mr. A. R. Raghuwanshi, AGP for the State.

Mr. Yuvraj Narvankar a/w Advocate Raufa Shaikh, for Respondent Nos. 2 & 3 in IA & WP.

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**CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE &  
HITEN S. VENEGAVKAR, JJ.  
DATE : 05<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2026**

**P.C. :-**

1. We have heard the learned Senior Advocate Mr. Dhorde and the learned Advocates along with learned Additional Government Pleader, for the appearing parties.

2. The learned Additional Government Pleader has tendered a photocopy of the communication dated 16.04.2026, indicating the names, from which a Committee of Administrators could be nominated. The said photocopy is taken on record and marked as 'X-1' for identification.

3. We would cut short the issue at this stage and restrict our order only to the extent of directing the payment of regular monthly salaries to all such Employees who are presently working and who have not attained the age of superannuation. It shall be the duty of all those concerned with the Management of the Trust and the educational institutions, who are authorized to sign the salary cheques, to ensure that salaries are paid to all such eligible persons.

4. We make it clear that, if we notice that any Employee who is in employment, is unfairly shown to be out of employment for oblique motives, or who has not attained the age of superannuation and is shown to have crossed the age of superannuation, we shall impose heavy costs upon the officer taking such a stand.

5. With the above directions, we make it clear that the salaries shall be paid without prejudice to the contentions of the parties, and compliance shall be reported to the Court on the next date.

6. List these Petitions on **19<sup>th</sup> June, 2026**.

**(HITEN S. VENEGAVKAR, J.) (RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)**