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

WRIT PETITION NO.6524 OF 2026

Vineet Vikramsinh Ghadage & Ors., ...Petitioners

Versus

The State of Maharashtra & Ors., ...Respondents

Mr. Kunal Shirgire a/w Mr. Pruthviraj Kolhatkar and Mr. Sagar Paspohe i/b Mr Vikas Kolekar for Petitioners.

Mr. O. A. Chandurkar, Addl GP a/w Mr. S. P. Kamble, AGP for Respondent No. 1-State.

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

Mr. Shekhar Jagtap (through VC) for Respondent No. 5.

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

DATED : 8th MAY, 2026.

ORDER :

1. This Writ Petition has been moved on the ground of urgency in view of the 2nd Semester examination for the Academic Year 2025-2026 commencing from 13th May, 2026. The Petitioners have been orally informed that they will not be able to appear in the said examination.

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2. The Petitioners are admittedly having attendance between 50% to 54% with the Respondent No.4 – College.

3. We have taken a view in Writ Petition No.6027 of 2026 and companion matters that in the event the Petitioner is having attendance between 50-54% and since the issue with regard to the applicability of 20% relaxation from minimum attendance of 70% as prescribed by Legal Education Rule of Bar Council of India which works out to 50% has arisen in these Petitions, given Clauses 68 and 70 of the Ordinances of 2011 of the Respondent No.2 – Pune University, the Petitioner will be allowed to appear in the Semester examination and which would be subject to outcome of this Petition.

4. We accordingly pass similar order given the similar factual conspectus.

5. We allow the Petitioners by way of this ad-interim order to appear in the 2nd Semester examination and which shall be subject to the outcome in the Petition.

6. The Petitioners shall not claim any equity by virtue of this order. The rights and contentions of the parties are kept open.

7. It is made clear that this order shall apply only to the Petitioners in the above Writ Petition.
8. The Respondents shall file their Affidavit-in-Reply on or before 9th June, 2026.
9. The Petitioner shall file Affidavit-in-Rejoinder on or before 15th June, 2026.
10. Place the Writ Petition for further consideration on 22nd June, 2026 with Writ Petition No.6027 of 2026 and companion Writ Petitions.

[ADAVIT M. SETHNA, J.]

[R.I. CHAGLA, J.]