

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 7290 OF 2026

Sonibai Balu Bhoir and Ors .. Petitioners

State of Maharashtra and Ors .. Respondents

Mr. Sumedh Modak, for the Petitioners.

Ms. M. S. Bane, AGP for Respondent Nos. 1 and 2 – State.

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

DATE : 15TH JUNE 2026.

PC:

1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioners.
2. The subject matter of challenge in this writ petition is an order dated 18/05/2026 passed by the Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Authority, Nashik, under Section 76 of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 (LARR). Under the scheme of the said Act, it appears that there is no statutory appeal or avenue of challenge provided for the aggrieved party and hence, we are inclined to entertain this writ petition.
3. Issue notice returnable on 22nd July 2026, 'High on Board.'
4. Learned AGP waives notice on behalf of Respondent Nos. 1 and 2.

5. Additionally, the Petitioner is permitted to serve Respondent No. 3 by way of private service and to file an affidavit of service before the next date of listing.

6. We are inclined to grant ad-interim relief in this petition for the reason, inter alia, that the Petitioners had placed on record before the LARR certain documents, including copies of sale deeds indicating that while at places the Respondent No. 3 had conceded that she jointly owned properties with the predecessor of the Petitioners, as regards the acquired property, a different stand was taken.

7. It is also brought to our notice that as against the order passed in appeal by the Additional Collector concerning mutation entries, a further appeal has been filed on behalf of the Petitioners and the same is pending. In such a situation, it would be appropriate that the direction issued in the impugned order for disbursing the amount of compensation in favour of Respondent No. 3 is stayed by way of an ad-interim order.

8. In view of the above, till the next date of listing, there shall be ad-interim stay of the impugned order dated 18/05/2026.

(SHREERAM V. SHIRSAT, J.)

(MANISH PITALE, J.)