

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

FIRST APPEAL NO. 1840 OF 2007

WITH

CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 6327 OF 2000

IN

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The State Of Maharashtra

...Plaintiff

Versus

Dharma Kashiram Kunde & Ors

...Respondents

Mr. A.R. Patil, AGP for the State.

CORAM : SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, J.

DATE : May 8, 2026

ORDER :

1. A bunch of First Appeals have been listed today by reason of the amounts involved being meagre, as submitted by the Learned Addl. G.P. The captioned appeals form part of such list of First Appeals.

2. Learned AGP is willing to submit to orders of this Court considering the meagre size of the amounts involved in this Appeal. First Appeal No.1840 of 2007 relates to Land Acquisition Reference No.221/1996.

3. It is stated that the amount awarded by the land acquisition officer is a sum of Rs.5342/- while the amount awarded by Joint District Judge, Nashik,

the jurisdictional reference court by the impugned judgement dated April 6, 1996 is a sum of Rs.32,060/-.

4. Taking on board the submissions by the Learned AGP, and considering the meagre sums involved and the sheer length of time for which the matter has remained pending, no interference is made with the impugned judgment. The State is directed to adhere to the impugned judgement at the earliest in any event within a period of 12 weeks from today.

5. Nothing contained in this Order would constitute a declaration on the merits of any legal issues involved in the Appeal to constitute a precedent for other matters.

6. In these circumstances, the Appeal is *finally disposed of*. Any Civil Applications therein are also hereby *finally disposed of*.

7. Cross objections, if any, are stood over to ***June 18, 2026***.

8. All actions required to be taken pursuant to this order shall be taken upon receipt of a downloaded copy as available on this Court's website.

[**SOMASEKHAR SUNDARESAN, J.**]